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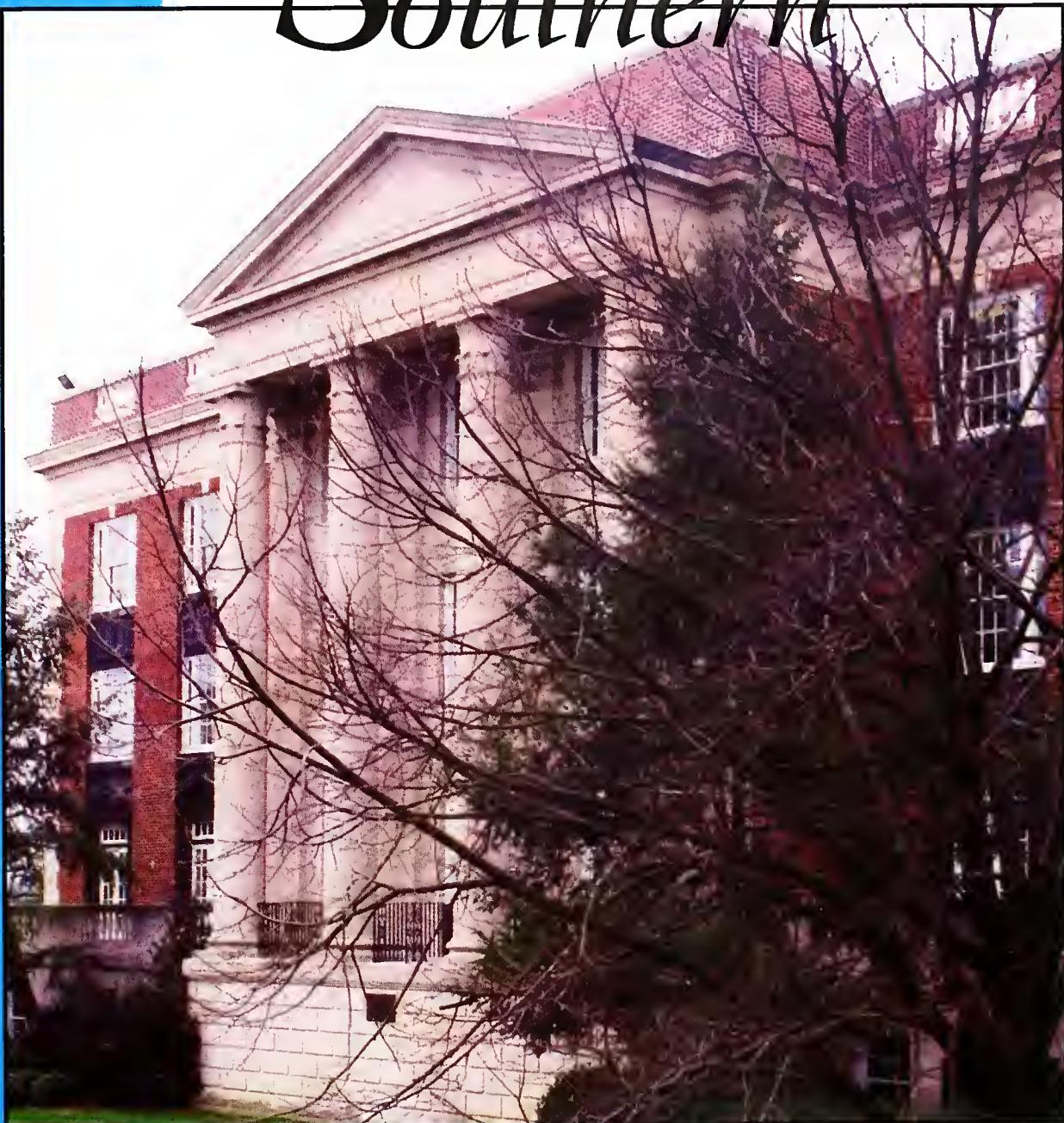
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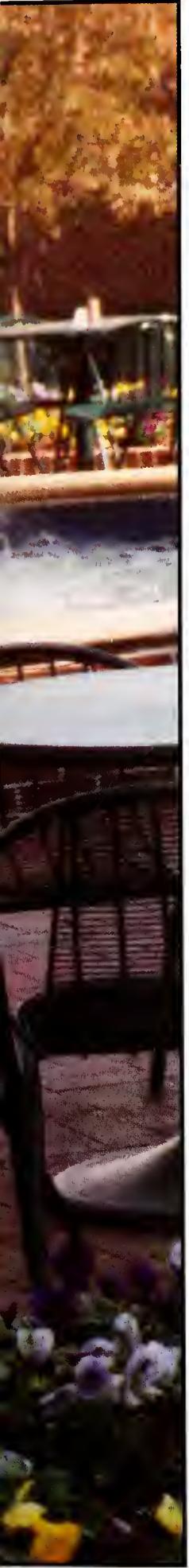
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In August, students moved back to the Hilltop. Upperclassmen were joined by the largest freshman class to enter the college. After settling in, students returned to classes and the active lives they led while facing numerous changes. The athletics department made the much anticipated move to NCAA Division I, while first year students experienced the new Foundations Curriculum. The Greeks made a transition to a delayed Rush, and the college was rocked by the new BSC radio station. Additionally, Cullen Daniel transformed into a women's dorm to accomadate the increasing number of women on campus. Despite the excitement on campus, everyone was shocked and shook with grief with the terrorist events of September 11th. The future at times seemed uncertain, but the campus community joined together to comfort one another and also learn about cultural differences. During this time of change, determination and creativity came forward, illustrating what made the school absolutely Southern.

# Southern

Relaxing beside the fountain, Seth Persons and Libby Yost converse before heading off to class.



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“Life at ‘Southern is great! No matter what time of the day it is, I can always find a friend to go sit with me in the caf or walk with me to the library. There is always something to do like going to the Cellar or going to party on frat row,” *stated Mary Catherine Burnett.* Adjusting to college life always took some time. Whether it was getting up to race to those early morning classes or pulling that first all-nighter, the true image of college life never turned out to be what was expected. Finding time to take naps in the midst of classes, activities, and homework became a part of daily lives. The friends, the memories, the classes, the activities, and even the food from the caf made life on the Hilltop a one of a kind experience that will be remembered forever.

Two students finish reviewing for a test right before they head to class. Many students found themselves cramming at the last minute to hopefully be that much more prepared.

# Living

# Sunny The Quad Afternoons

On cold and rainy days, students were seen running to class and back to the dorms, but few spent any time outside. However, as the weather warmed up and the sun began to welcome Spring, students ventured out onto the dorm quad in the afternoons. Some camped out with their books reading a chapter for the next day or studying for the big test, while others took a little more active approach and engaged in some friendly games such as baseball, volleyball, and frisbee. Still others just sat around with their friends chatting, and others chose to just relax, taking a nap with the sun beating down upon them. Regardless of how one chose to spend the afternoon, the dorm quad provided a wonderful way to enjoy the weather and welcome Spring.



Although there is not a beach on campus, some students participate in a game of beach volleyball on the sand court in the middle of the dorm quad.

Surrounded by the green grass and bright flowers, students spread out on blankets to study. Some students chose to take naps in between studying.





Taking advantage of beautiful afternoon, Meagan Garland studies in the middle of the dorm quad rather than inside.

Often, students engage in outdoor sports on the dorm quad. Baseball was one of the many activities that took place.



Many students spend time outdoors when the weather is nice. Students studied, relaxed, and chatted in front of the dorms.

Cleverly disguised as President Taft and President Lincoln, Daniel Ferguson and Matt Wintz share a little patriotic spirit on Presidents' Day.

Living in the dorms allows one to meet a variety of individuals. Groups of friends often went off campus for an evening of entertainment.



With all the fun events happening on campus, students still have to find time to study and rest. Some students enjoyed the dorm quad as a convenient location to study and nap.

For entertainment, exercise, and competition, some students look to intramural sports. Sigma Nu and Sigma Chi were among the many groups to participate in intramural basketball games held in the Striplin Fitness Center.

# *Friendship, Fun, and Laughter*

*Residents find ways to keep themselves and their friends entertained*

After class was finished for the day, many hours were still left. Although some of the time had to be spent studying, students living on campus found a variety of other ways to occupy

their time. Students formed a variety of friendships whether with roommates, sorority sisters, or fraternity brothers. Spending time with friends led to many memorable moments

that were interesting, entertaining, and at times, funny. Students found plenty to keep their spirits up and their time occupied with creative activities both on and off campus.



With blue covering their faces, three residents of the women's dorms look like Smurfs. In the dorms something interesting was always happening.

Brie Quinn and Brad Phillips take time to relax and escape the hustle of school, fraternities, and sororities.



Paige McDonnell and Bonnie Wooten pull a Sweeney Todd on Brie Quinn by giving her a haircut in Cullen Daniel.

# THE CELLAR

Originally located in the basement of the Phillips Administration Building, the Cellar has long been a part of students' lives on campus. In its new location near the dorms, the Cellar served students into the late hours of the night. As the campus coffee house, it treated students and others to warm coffee and delicious desserts such as cheesecake. While enjoying a break in the Cellar, individuals were also often treated to live musical acts, poetry readings, open microphone nights, chess games, card games, and student and faculty art displays among other things. *The Quad*, the literary magazine for the campus, often used the Cellar and poetry readings as a way to solicit material for the publication. Other groups on campus also used the Cellar as a place to come together and meet. During Interim, one class learned to play the card game Bridge. Using their skills, the group hosted a Bridge night in the Cellar to encourage the campus community to come together for an evening of fun. Bridge nights were held on a couple of other evenings following this. With so many different things to offer, the Cellar became a great place for students to take a break from studying late at night and hang with friends in a relaxing environment.





The Cellar organizes several musical acts throughout the year. An acoustical group played to an enthusiastic crowd one spring night.



Working in the Cellar, Joseph John and Anthony Cashio provide service with a smile as they serve hot coffee and other snacks.



Relaxing with friends in the Cellar, students enjoy a musical performance. A variety of acts were featured throughout the year.

Members of Security participate in the evening by taking the children's fingerprints.

Dressed in her police woman costume, Liz McTeer handcuffs Adam Neporandny.



Decked out in a wide range of costumes, the Chi Omega sorority sisters join together for an eventful night.



# Absolutely Spooky

Halloween on the Hilltop Is a Big Success



On Halloween night, the entire campus joined together in a variety of costumes for a night of fun. Halloween on the Hilltop went down as a great success thanks to the dedication and cooperation of many on campus. Neighborhood kids were treated to a night of 'Southern fun. The evening included a face painting booth sponsored by the Southern Stars dance team, a Marshmallow Monsters confectionary table run by the International Students Association, and a Fishing for Treasure game where kids could win sugary sweets from the Pi Beta Phi girls among many others. Additionally, residents in New Men transformed the building into a make-shift haunted house, and Margaret Daniel residents created a trick-or-treater's paradise.

The winner of the Children's Costume Competition received a brand new bike.



Enjoying the evening, Jeris Burns smiles after giving two children treats.

As illustrated by the smiles on the faces, Halloween on the Hilltop is all about serving the neighborhood children.

# Homecoming

Stars Fell on BSC

From February 22 until February 24, the campus sponsored a series of events in conjunction with Homecoming in order to promote school spirit and bring the student body together. Among the special events were "Parents Night Out" which gave faculty members a chance to enjoy the evening, a talent show sponsored by the Black Student Union, and cosmic bowling among others. The festivities concluded with the basketball game against Savannah State. At the game, senior players were recognized, and the Homecoming Queen, Kim Polkowski, was announced. In the end, the basketball team was victorious and everyone seemed to have a good time.

Senior players are applauded one last time before the game. They were joined by their families as they were recognized for the outstanding job they had done the past four years.



Team members exchange signs of good luck before the game begins.

Kim Polkowski is crowned Homecoming Queen by the reigning Queen, Kristin Ziel.





Smiling after receiving her crown, Kim Polkowski is joined by her escort Ross Litkenhous.

Dr. Berte and Mrs. Berte stand at center court with Kristin Ziel during the half-time festivities.



Standing with their escorts, the Homecoming Court awaits the announcement of the Queen. Members of the Court were freshmen, Jeris Burns and Andrea Boohaker; sophomores, Annie Greaves and Amanda Lafiti; juniors, Robin Love and Lucy King; and seniors, Candice Bouler, Marta McLellan, and Lindsey Thomas.

# Party Or ■ ■ ■ Night Life ■ ■ ■ Study?

Throughout the year, students constantly faced the dilemma of whether they should study or go out with their friends for the evening. On many evenings, students found themselves in the library, computer labs, science labs, art studios, or dorm rooms completing assignments or studying. However, on other nights, students put aside their books and explored other options. On campus, several opportunities existed such as intramural sports; however, often, students left campus whether just to have dinner out somewhere or to go shopping or dancing. Five Points South and other locations throughout Birmingham provided a variety of options. In fact, at times the Student Government Association provided a shuttle to the area so that students would not have to worry about driving to and from their destinations.

In order to finish art projects on time, art students often spend late nights in the studios perfecting their masterpieces.



Many students travel to dance clubs in the Birmingham area such as The Studio and Bellbottoms for entertainment.

On weeknights, many students spend a majority of their time in the library studying or doing research. The computers in the library allowed students easy access to reference materials and a place to work on papers.





In a round of intramural basketball, several fraternity members display the competitive side of their personalities.

All dressed up, Jamie Box, a Cullen Daniel Resident Advisor, and her friends are ready for a night on the town.



Friends share in an evening of fun at one of many locations in Birmingham.

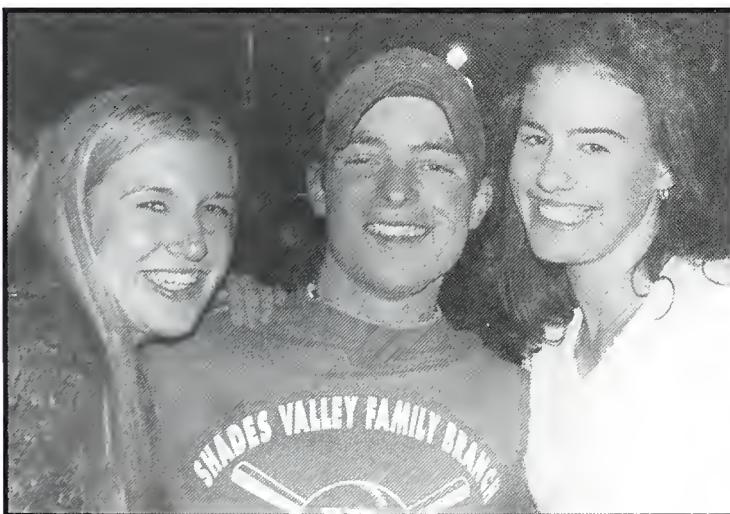
Pi Beta Phi sisters share a pizza at the Mellow Mushroom. The pizzeria was known for its innovative toppings and "psychedelic" ambiance.

# Entertainment Fest

Featuring “Jump Little Children” and “Galactic”

Entertainment Fest took place on Saturday, October 27. Students still enjoyed the event although it was organized differently than previous years. Quest II sponsored it as usual, and it was still held on the dorm quad. However, instead of having two nights filled with loud music and parties that lasted until sunrise, there was only one. E-Fest was one exciting night jam-packed with two first-rate bands. “Jump Little Children” and “Galactic” were featured. The two bands drew a crowd consisting of current students as well as their friends. Because such a large number of people wished to attend Entertainment Fest, security and Quest II members had their hands full at the gate checking people in and allowing them to enter.

The drummer from “Galactic” smiles as he jams out during his long set.



Pausing from their dancing and cheering, Rachel Malmborg, A.J. Maxwell, and Stephanie Harrington catch their breath.

Amber Rhodes, and Jeremy Johnson smile for the camera as “Jump Little Children” plays in the background.





A member of "Galactic" plays a solo on his trombone as the massive crowd cheers in excitement.

With the spotlights shining on them and a haze in the air, "Galactic" rocks on stage while the crowd roars.



A group of students takes a minute to smile for the camera during the break while "Galactic" sets up for their show.

Those attending Southern Comfort attempt to find a relatively uncrowded portion of the tent to hang out with friends. The tent covered the dorm quad in its entirety days before the event.

Friends smile widely as they take a break from the music and dancing. Although Quest II was an independent organization, its activities were open to all students and their visitors, creating a giant, campus-wide celebration.





Cowboys and cowgirls wait in line for their chance to accept the challenge of the mechanical bull. As the night progressed, students quickly discovered they would need more than a cowboy hat, spurs, and good luck to stay on the bull.

Students dance the night away during the different sets, singing and swaying to the music.



## Southern Comfort

### Doing it 'Southen Style'

Sponsored by Quest II, Southern Comfort is Birmingham-Southern's annual springtime music event. Like E-fest in the fall, Southern Comfort was a weekend-long affair catering to many different musical tastes. Friday night, April 5, had a distinct country feel to it and featured the Pat McGee Band followed by Robert Earl Keen. The festivities also included a mechanical bull that, like its flesh and blood counterpart, easily bucked off the bravest and most agile of riders. Saturday, April 6, offered a different auditory selection with bands includ-

ing Matthew Mayfield and Steward Vann, as well as the unique jazz stylings of Medeski, Martin, and Wood. As was tradition with Southern Comfort, E-fest, and other large music events on campus, the dorm quad was covered under a massive white tent. For the event, many students invited guests. Quest II members did a wonderful job of monitoring the gates and cleaning up after the party was done. The concert was well attended both by students and visitors, making Southern Comfort 2002 a grand success.

Members of the Indian Cultural Association donate their time by running a henna booth.

Students put friends and faculty in "Environmental Jail" as this student unwittingly discovers.

Whitney Gallien and her boyfriend prove the beat goes on at the drum circle.



## GREENFEST

A twelve hour long music fest celebrating Earth Week, Greenfest was a non-profit event sponsored by the BSC Conservancy. The proceeds benefited the Woodlawn Ecoscape. Greenfest was part of a weeklong celebration which also included a ropes course and a showing of *Biodome*.



### Crafts and Chords

From 10 AM to midnight, the dorm quad and the Cellar were full of non-stop music and craft booths. Bands played on the quad until sundown when things moved into the Cellar.

Sarah Beth Tanner heats things up at her bead booth.

Outside, students could man a drum circle, tie-dye shirts, make sand art, get a henna tattoo, decorate cookies, and eat homemade ice cream.

The Stuart Mayfield Project was one of the many bands that performed.



The cast members of *Hamlet: The Musical* showcase their talent during dinner.



Three girls stop by the cookie booth for some good, old-fashioned fun.

While Greenfest was about music, food, and fun, it was also a day of raising environmental awareness on campus.



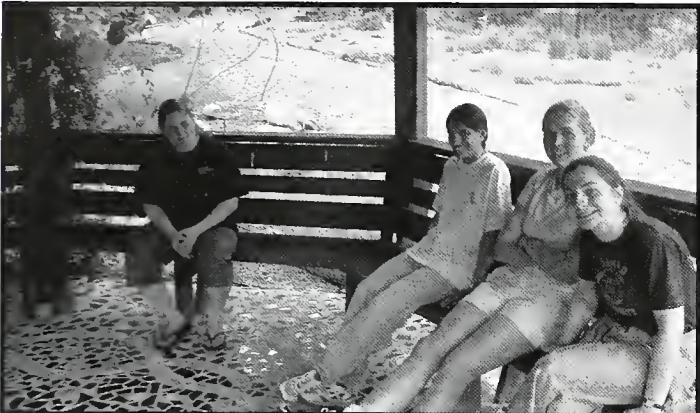
Conservancy members work hard to make hand-made, home-made chocolate, strawberry, & vanilla ice cream and waffle cones.



A rambunctious youngster runs excitedly after dunking one of the faculty at the dunking booth.

President of the BSC Conservancy Cori Jobe and fellow members take a moment to relax in the Ecoscape gazebo.

Janet Palmer, Gretchen Deutsch, and Rish Spurlock tackle the ropes course during one of many Earth Week activities. One of the tasks required balancing on thin metal cables.



## EARTH WEEK 2002

A BSC Conservancy Event



### Balancing Act

One of the more challenging obstacles in the EcoScape ropes course is a see-saw which participants must balance without either side touching the ground for a full minute. Two Pi Phis and two Sigma Chis tried their hand at the balancing act. Other activities in the ropes course included climbing through the "spider's web," swinging on ropes, simulating free-falls off a tall platform, and jumping through suspended tires.

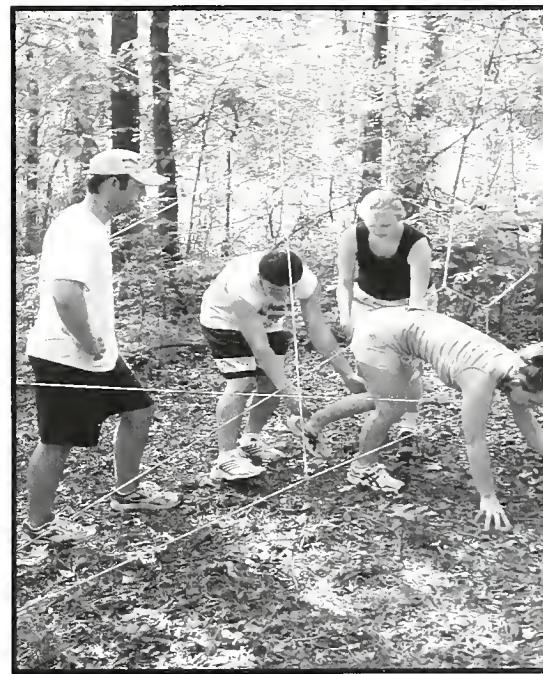


### The BSC EcoScape

One of the college's best-kept secrets, the BSC EcoScape, is perhaps the most beautiful and underappreciated place on campus. The EcoScape contains flower gardens, intricate metal sculptures, a relaxing gazebo, a two-tiered treehouse, a ropes course, and meditation gardens. During Earth Week, the BSC Conservancy hosted a ropes course event at the EcoScape to help foster environmental awareness on campus.



The EcoScape ropes course was full of obstacles requiring teamwork and balance.



Ropes course team members try to escape from the challenging "Spider's Web." Members were required to progress through the web using each hole only once and without touching the ropes.

Michael Philpot enjoys the shade of the gazebo. The EcoScape gazebo was decorated entirely with shards of old mirrors, china, and glass.





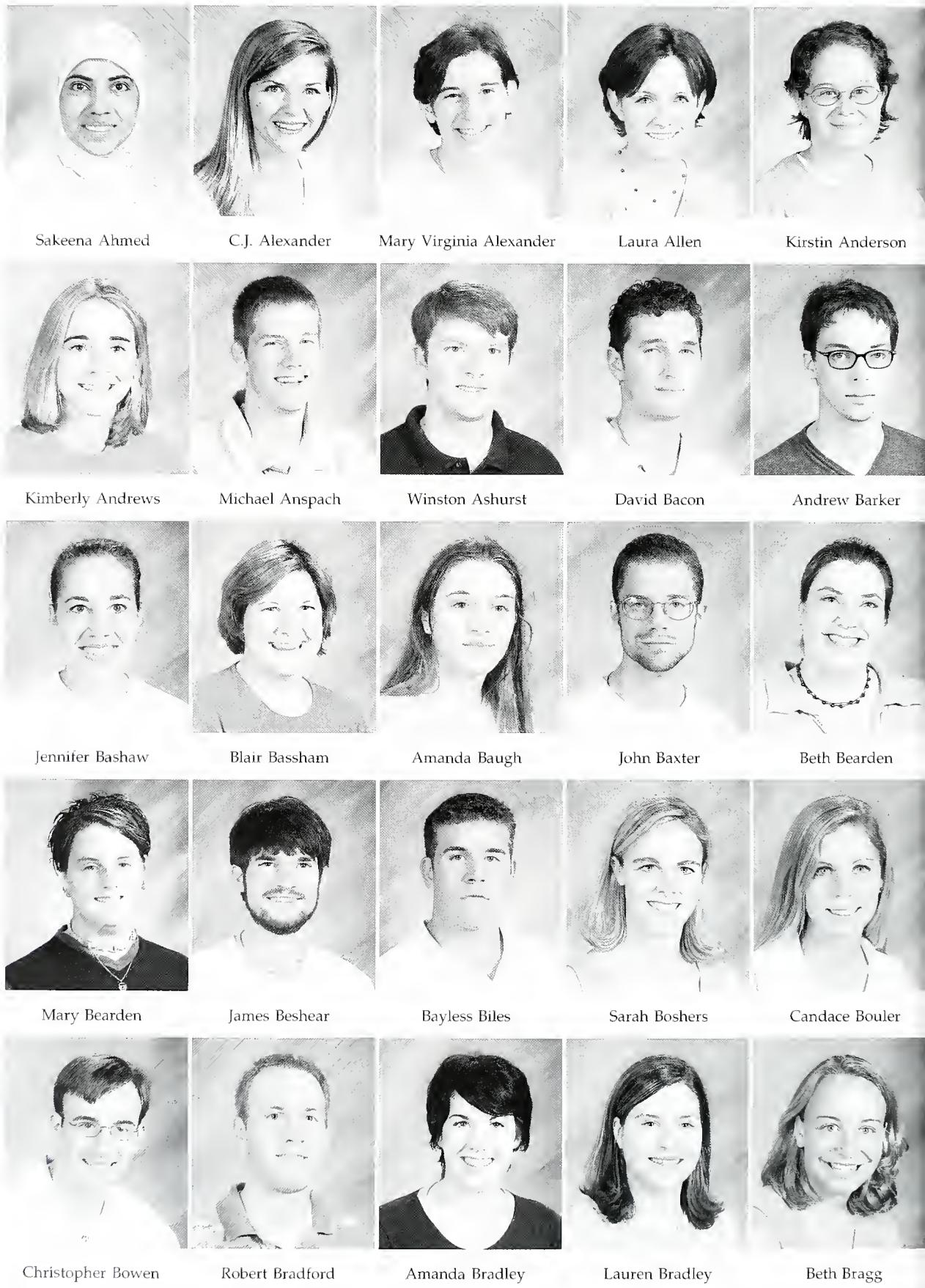
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Composed of representatives from all regions of the United States and from as far away as Africa, the college's student body was an expressive one. Students on the Hilltop were Greeks and independents, artists and biochemists, athletes and thespians, and much more. Whether in a group setting or in solitude, students retained their creative and individualistic modes of self-expression, making for a highly colorful school. Diversity was not solely a matter of skin color or nationality; differences manifested themselves in clothing, speech, dinner selections, CDs, posters, and handshakes. Difference was often seen as an asset, a stepping stone rather than a crutch, and helped add to the collective spirit and philosophy of the school. And that was what made individuals absolutely expressive.

# Expression

Teammates and captains of the women's soccer team, Kyra Rowland, Erin Mahoney, and Tally Ewing, join together with smiles.

# STAFF





## Franklin Slaton *Senior*

*"The new Frat Row will be good. Right now, the only thing holding my house together is duct tape and roaches holding hands."*



Janice Cooke



Katy Coole



Joseph Cox



Daphne Crawford



Roneisha Crear



Hampton Culp



Jeffrey Cutshall



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Katherine Deason



Elizabeth Dennis



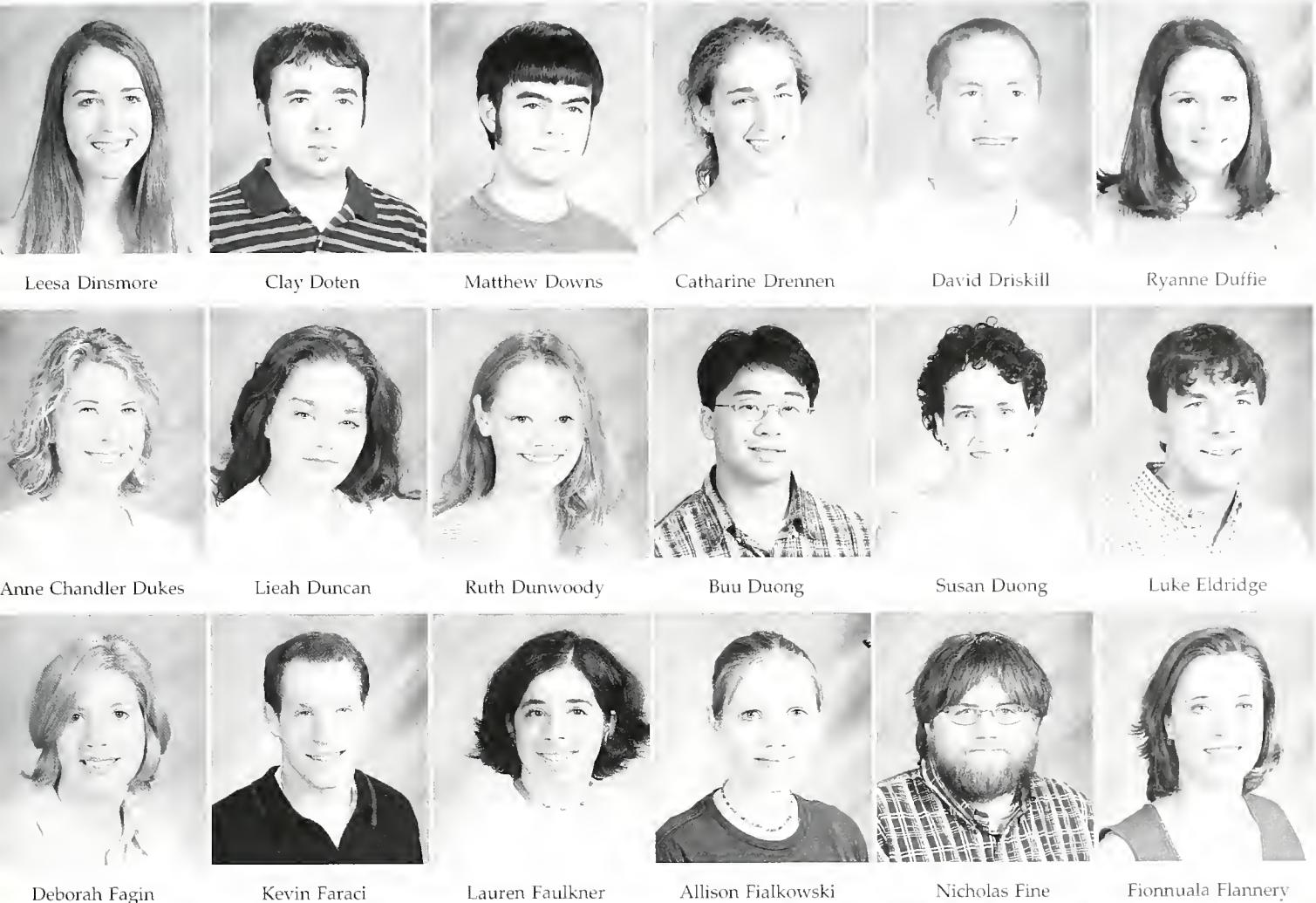
Heather Denosky



Matthew Deshazo

## Mary Catherine Burnett Sophomore

*"The new science building is a great improvement since it now allows Birmingham-Southern to have a humanities building. We will now have improved campus distinction as a well-rounded and funded college."*



## Quiet Afternoons: Library Studying

*In between classes and late in the afternoon, many students take advantage of the quiet atmosphere offered in the library. Hill Carmichael took notes while reading from one of his textbooks. In addition to providing a quiet environment, the library also contained numerous resources to help students with projects.*



Wai Foo



Amanda Franklin



Charles Frazer



Phillip Fulgham



Molly Gibson



Mary Gilmer



Teresa Godbey



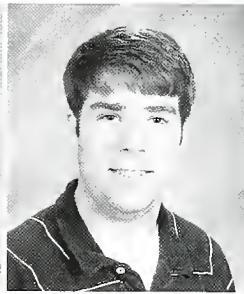
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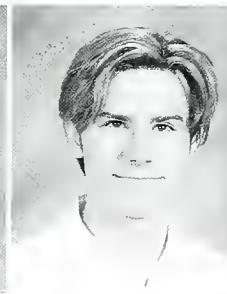
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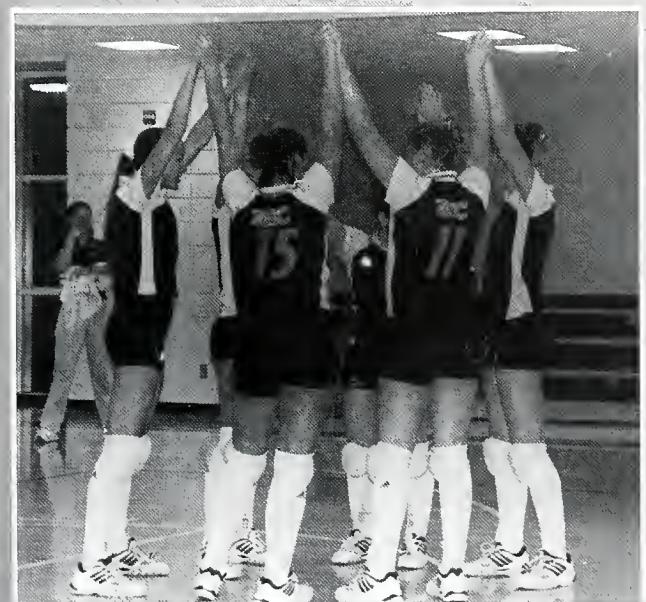
## Jansen Voss Junior

*"The new Fraternity Row will be a point of pride for 'Southern and will bring a new sense of community and brotherhood to the Hilltop for many great years to come."*



## Friends at Work and Play

*Prior to the start of a volleyball game, team members join together on the court for a pre-game team huddle. Huddles were one way for team members to pump themselves up for the challengers that they would face on the court.*

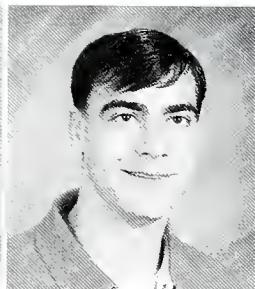




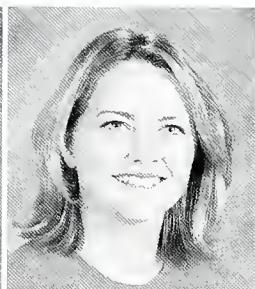
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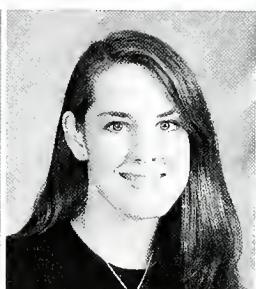
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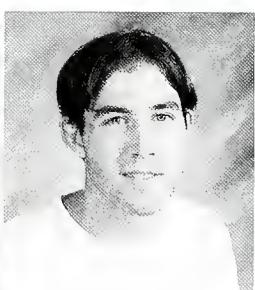
Yuliya Kedrova



Don Kim



David Kosek



Kevin Kosek



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Kristmannsdottir



Sam Ladd

## Scott McClellan

*Sophomore*

*"BSC -- so many interests, so little time. Where going to class is like a track and field event."*



Amy Lavender

Miljana Lazarevic

Allison Lee

Amanda Lee

Valerie Lemmons

Katy Leonard



Oleathia Leonard

Jennifer Lewis

Ross Litkenhous

Jereme Logan

Christina Long

Jennifer Luck



Laurel Machen

Erin Mahoney

Jonathan Malone

Sarah Marshall

Carey Martin

Jane Martin



## Famous Entertainer

*At the SGA sponsored campus Christmas party, an Elvis impersonator entertained the crowd with his renditions of several Elvis classics.*



Katie Martin



William Martin



Valle Marzella



Alysia Mathis



Laura Mayhall



Alicia McCaghren



Robert McClelland



Katie McDowell



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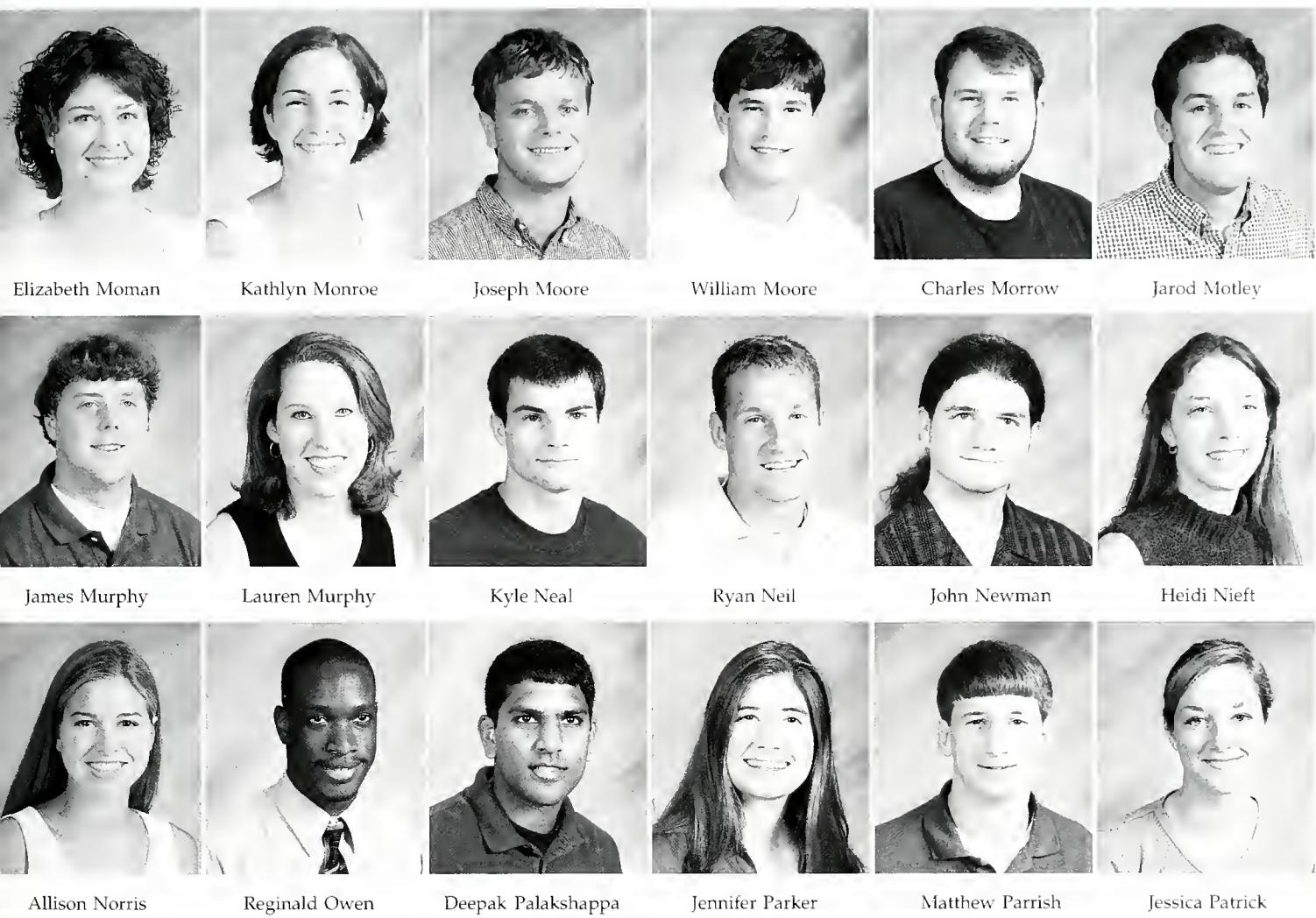
Sarah Mixon



Ajay Mohan

## Becky Crunk *Sophomore*

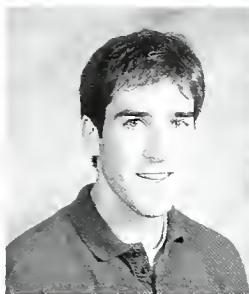
*"I think that the new science building is great for science majors, but the humanities and art departments need some help now. Don't you think it is funny that the ugliest building on campus is the art building."*



## Sisters

*With coordinating costumes, sisters Anna and Sarah Sullivan enjoy Halloween on the Hilltop with other students and children from the community. Their innovative costumes portrayed the opposites of good and evil.*





John Peinhardt



Karl Pfeiffer



Kerry Pitts



Casie Platt



Kimberly Polkowski



Elizabeth Porter



Rachel Pratt



Jared Price



Jonathan Prince



Donald Pritchett



James Pursell



Kelly Quimby



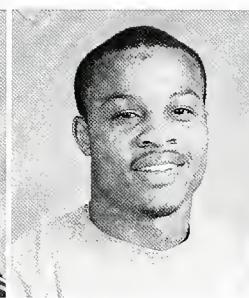
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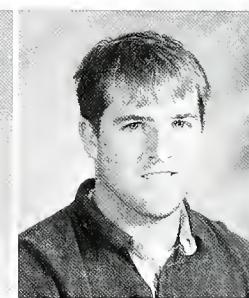
Grahame Read



John Reed



Thomas Reed



Jonathan Renfro



Mariah Ripp

## Derek Arnold *Sophomore*

*"This has been a good year. My two favorite books, Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone and The Count of Monte Cristo were both made into movies."*



## Goofing Off, Having Fun

*While helping out at one of  
the booths at Halloween on  
the Hilltop, Gretchen  
Deutsch takes a break to  
smile and pose for the cam-  
era.*





Joshua Severns



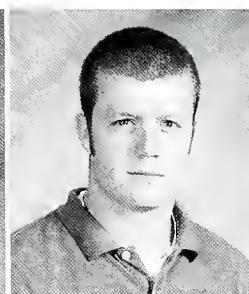
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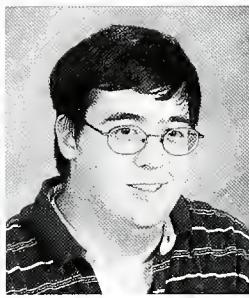
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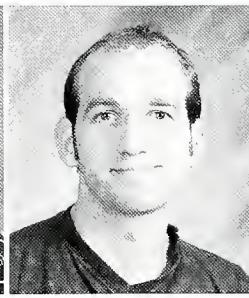
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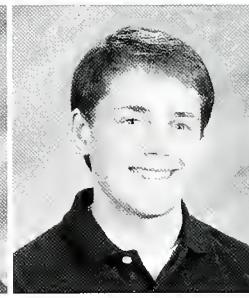
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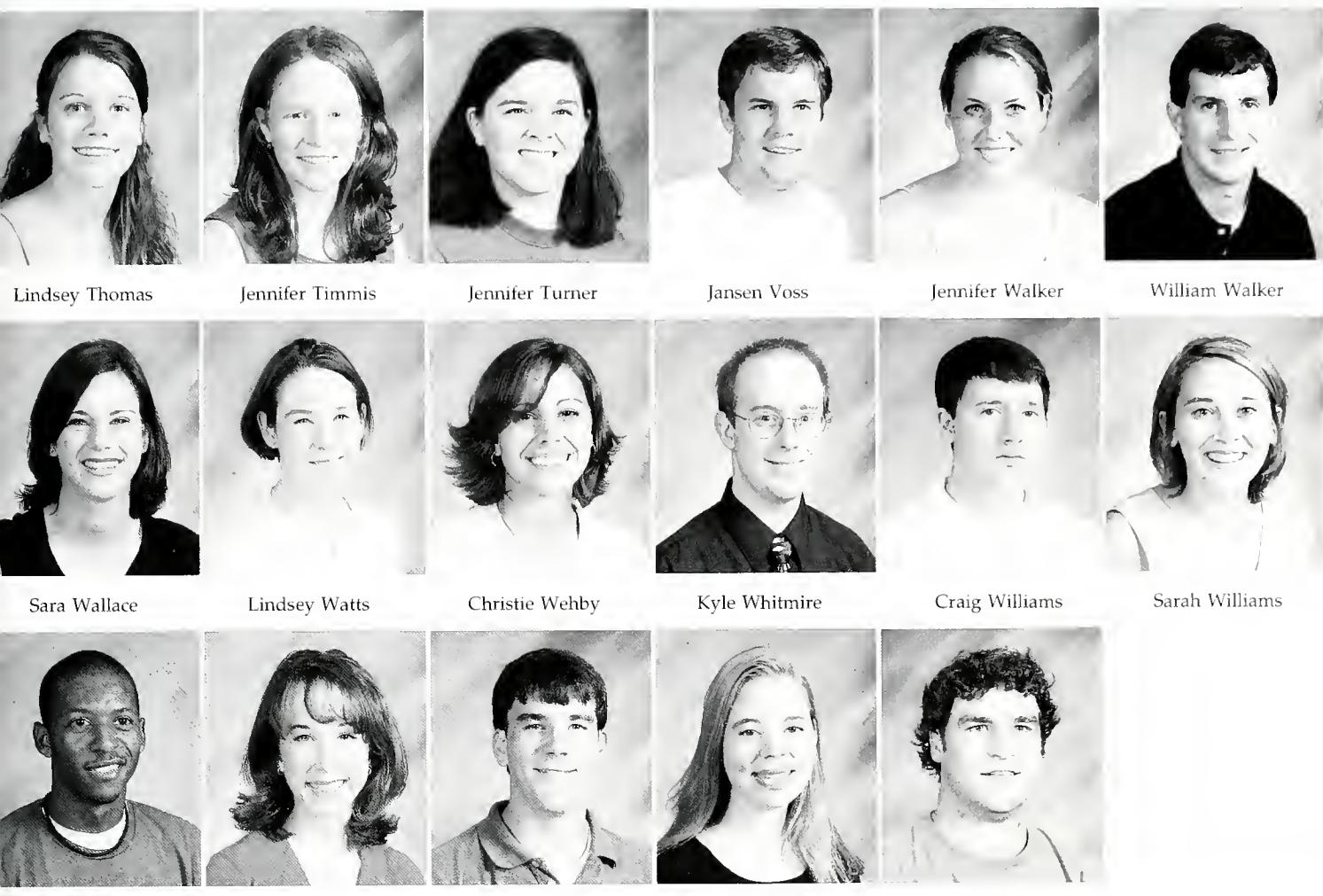
William Thistle



Katherine Thomas

## Dalton Rushing *Freshman*

*"We are all excited about the new row. The old ones are falling apart. I cannot believe that we are actually living there."*



Zach Williams

Sarah Williamson

Normster Wood VI

Kate Yarbrough

John Yother



## Tough Job

*Many times, the position of goalie is considered the most difficult and important job on a soccer team. Tally Ewing stood prepared as she carefully guarded the goal for the women's soccer team throughout the season.*

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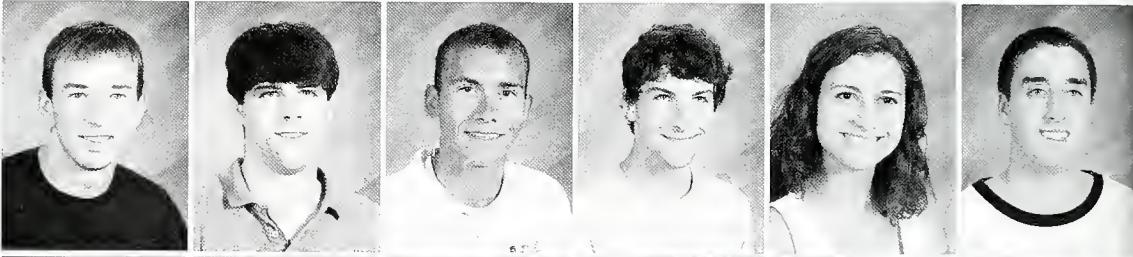
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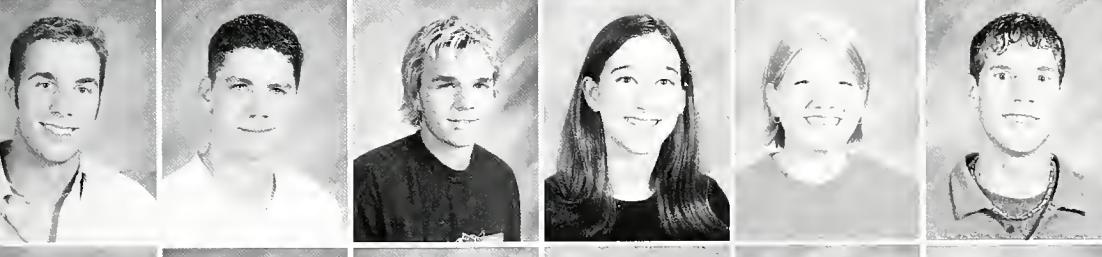
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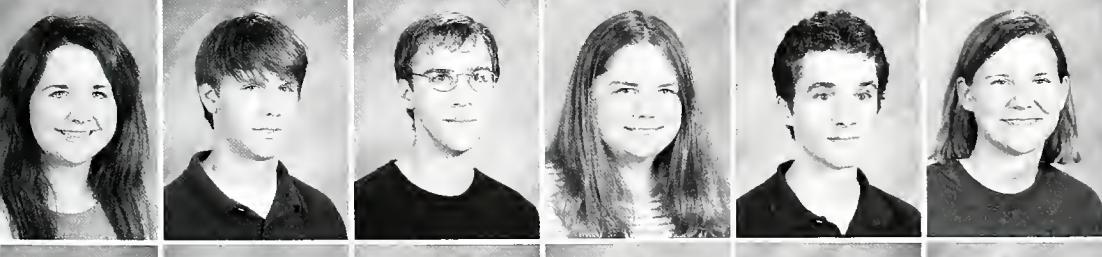
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Julia Hyland  
Jon Isom



Josiah James  
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Joseph John  
Alexa Jones  
Cameron Jones  
Caroline Jones



## Florida Bound: Spring Break



*During Spring Break, students escaped the stress of classes by traveling to various locations. One of the more popular destinations was Destin, Florida. Among the travellers to Destin were Daphne Harlow, Jane Martin, Heather Hudspeth, Karen Johnson, and Aarti Madan.*

Saman Khaled





Carol Kidd  
Jessica Kilgore  
Lucy King  
Lindsey Kiper  
Allen Kirkland  
John Kirkpatrick



Tomoko Kitano  
Yuichiro Kitayama  
Michael Kittinger  
Margaret Klocke  
Kirsten Kluepfel  
Carrie Kramer



Angelika Kuettner  
Emily LaBranche  
Ryan Lawler  
Nicole LeMaitre  
Christine Lester  
Emily Lewis



Sara Lewis  
Ryan Lillard  
Leelia Louis  
Yun Lu  
Christopher Lydick  
Mary Lydick



Carissa Mangus  
Blake Mann  
Kristen Mann  
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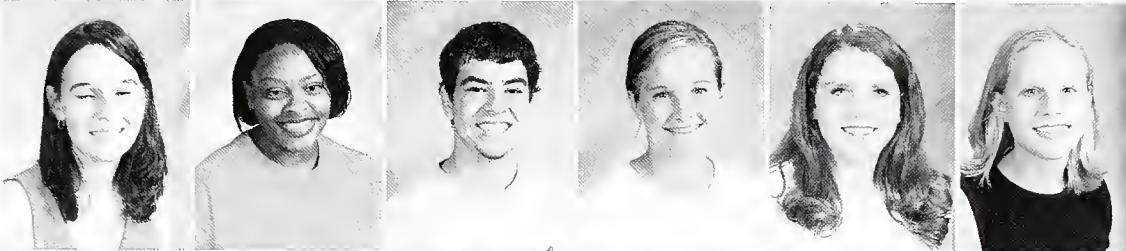


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Margaret Mroczek  
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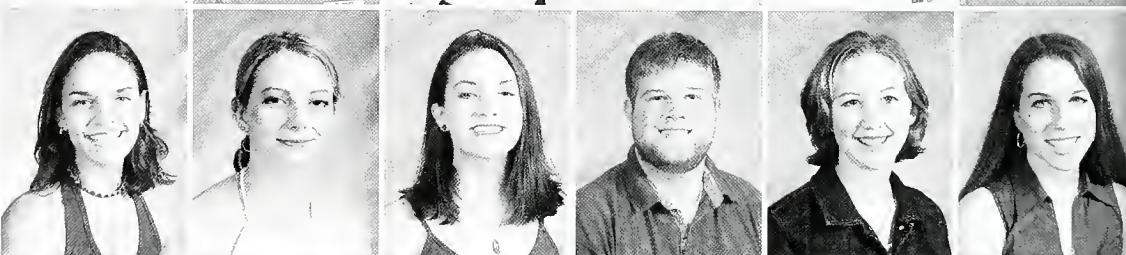
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Sarah Roberts  
Teresa Roberts  
James Roy  
Lauren Russell  
Amanda Saffles



David Saliba  
Manera Saloom  
Rebecca Savage  
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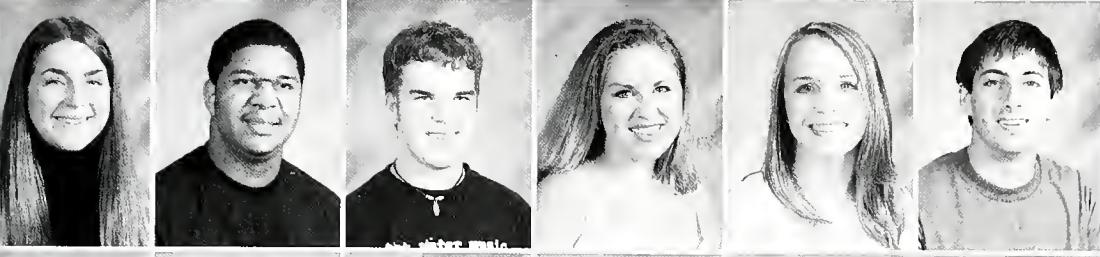




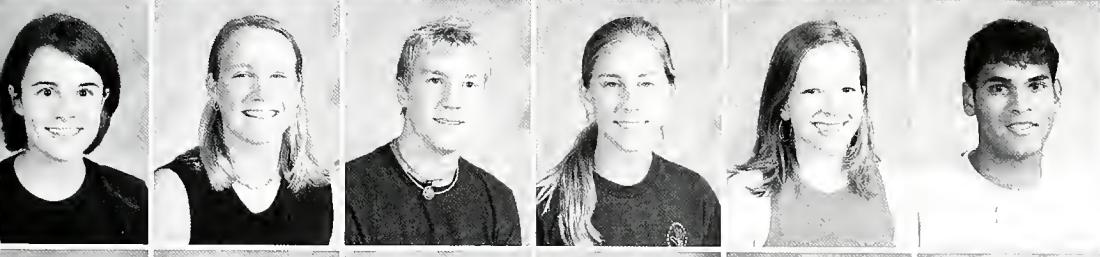
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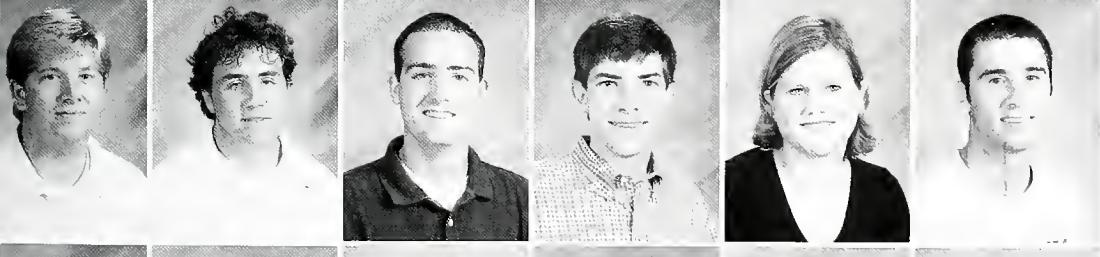
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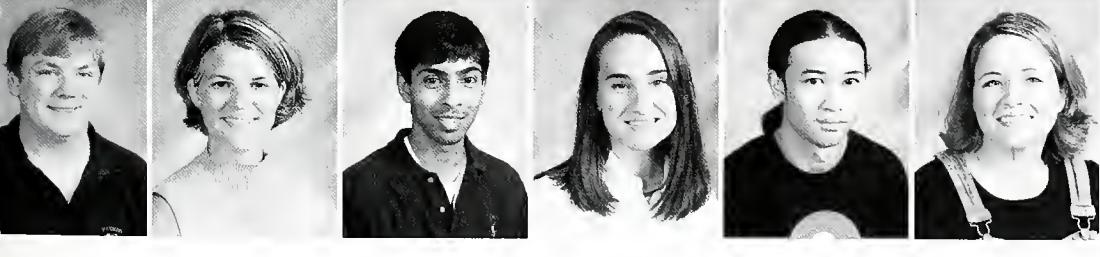
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Kyle Weidman  
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Matthew Williams  
Elizabeth Wilson  
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Carl Wise  
Jane Woodson  
Sudeep Xavier  
Cam Young  
Tony Yu  
Ashley Zerull

# SOPHOMORES

Sally Abbott  
Susan Adams  
Brittian Anderson  
Tyler Armstrong  
Derek Arnold  
Lynn Austin



Payne Baker  
Jessica Baldwin  
Mandy Barham  
Rebecca Barnes  
Jordon Barrow  
Yasmine Basseggi



Samantha Baxter  
Rebecca Beers  
Kim Bell  
Emily Bernstein  
Ryan Bevis  
Christopher Biggs



Matt Bogue  
Dan Bostick  
Nedra Boukhris  
Ann Boyd  
Lindsey Boyett  
Adam Brasher



Ted Broan  
Amy Brown  
Wes Brown  
Matthew Burke  
Alecia Burkett  
Mary Catherine Burnett



Bethany Butts  
Candace Byrd  
Brian Chamblee  
Andrew Chason  
Judson Chason  
Matt Clayton





Michael Cline  
Shannon Coggin  
Hynsley Collins  
Katie Connaughton  
Andrew Connell  
Audrey Cook



Crystal Coston  
James Craft  
Jenilee Crew  
Becky Crunk  
Candace Curtis  
Whitney Curvin



Beth Darwin  
Lacey Daughdrill  
Alli Dauphin  
Myra Davis  
Robert Day  
Brian DeLoach



Greta Digiorgio  
Alex Dimitry  
Isaac Dooley  
Katy Dornberger  
Sara Doughton  
Michelle Downing



Mitchell Dubina  
Margaret Ege  
Brad Erickson  
Josh Evans  
Wilson Evans  
Mary Helen Ferguson



Craig Fesmire  
Eric Fillebaum  
Rae Forrest  
Jocelyn Forsythe  
Stuart Franco  
Kevin Freeze



Christian Gable  
Johanna Gandy  
Meagan Garland  
Sarah Gaskin  
Helen Gassenheimer  
Elizabeth Gebhart

Brooke Gentsch  
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Julius Ghafary  
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Ray Granland  
Ashley Green



Mary Ellen Green  
Chryseis Griffin  
Molly Griffin  
Derek Griffith  
Ryan Griffith  
Jeff Grove



Bethany Guess  
Caroline Hale  
Patrick Hall  
Allie Hammond  
James Hamon  
Allison Hargett



Rebecca Harris  
Vicki Harris  
Christine Haynes  
Rachael Haynes  
Kathryn Hendrix  
John Henningsen



Brett Hollett  
Leah Hollingsworth  
Charles Horn  
Stephanie Houston  
Jennifer Huey  
Lauren Hughes



## Strategic Planning

*Coach Tonya Charland discusses strategy with her team as she prepares to send the back onto the court during a match.*





Sarah Kathryn Hughes  
David Hulett  
Meredith Humber  
Michael Huntley  
Allison Irvin  
Paige Janney



Anna Jefferson  
Karen Johnson  
Kim Johnson  
Catherine Jones  
Kristen Jones  
Scottee Jones



Charlotte Kelly  
Annette Kittrell  
Petra Kositzke  
Jason Kramer  
Steven Kranz  
Madeline Krontiras



Brooke LaBarbera  
Laura Lee Latham  
Amanda Latifi  
John Linhoss  
Laura Loftus  
Katherine Long



Knight Long  
Robin Love  
Scott Love  
Aarti Madan  
McKenzie Martin  
Melissa Martin

## Christian Gable *Sophomore*

*"I think that the new science building is great. It is really impressive to see our institution growing."*

Kassie Mathis  
Bernard Mays  
Shema Mbyirukira  
Sara McCarthy  
Scott McClellan  
Gregg McCormick



## Charles Horn

*Sophomore*

*"Birmingham-Southern is the community away from the community."*



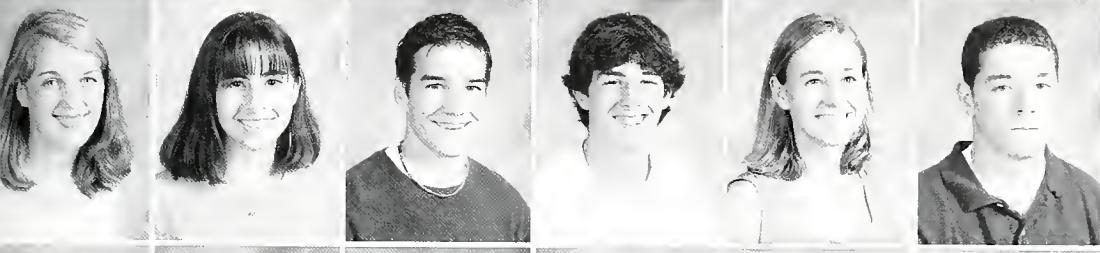
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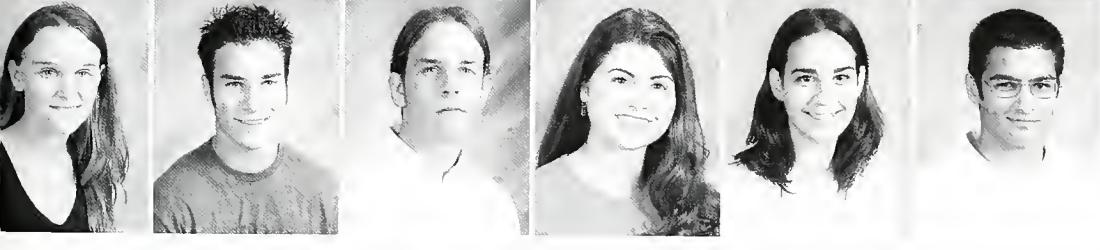
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Dorothy Rolen  
Christina Rumore  
Hunter Russell  
Richard Scales  
Shelley Scarbrough  
Jonathan Schnur



Claire Schwartz  
Ryan Sciacca  
Ross Scruggs  
Meg Seibert  
Nicole Selvidge  
Ankeet Shah

## Laura Oldem

*Freshman*

*"Well, the new Fraternity Row will be great. The bathrooms will be so much nicer--that's all I have to say about that. Thursday nights will be pip."*

George Sherling  
Georgina Simmons  
Robert Simpson  
Erica Sisk  
Candace Smith  
Katy Smith



Ricka Spears  
John Spencer  
Anna Spruill  
Thomas Staner  
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Sarah Tanner  
James Thomas



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Daniel Tidwell  
Nicole Timmis  
Danica Turner  
Sunday Vanderver  
Lora Vaughn



Rachel Vinson  
Britta Voss  
Brittain Voss  
William Wade  
April Walker  
Amanda Warren



## Jessica Wood *Freshman*

*"I cannot wait for the new science building to open, because it looks really nice and the new equipment will be great.*



Shannon Washington  
Elias Watson  
Sarah Weaver  
Veronica Wehby  
Brookes Weinstein  
Thomas Wells



Joanna White  
Steven White  
Dave Whitten  
Amy Whittier  
Mikel Wijayasunya  
Nancy Williams



Rich Williams  
Mandy Wolfe  
Thomas Wolfe  
Ashley Wright  
Elizabeth Wright  
Lindsey Wyatt



Michael Wydner  
Kristina Zuschlag

## Libby Yost *Freshman*

*"The Stevens Science Center will become a new residence hall for science majors once it opens."*

# FRESHMEN

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Atia Agee  
Tracy Allen  
Jimmy Amerson  
Jay Andrews



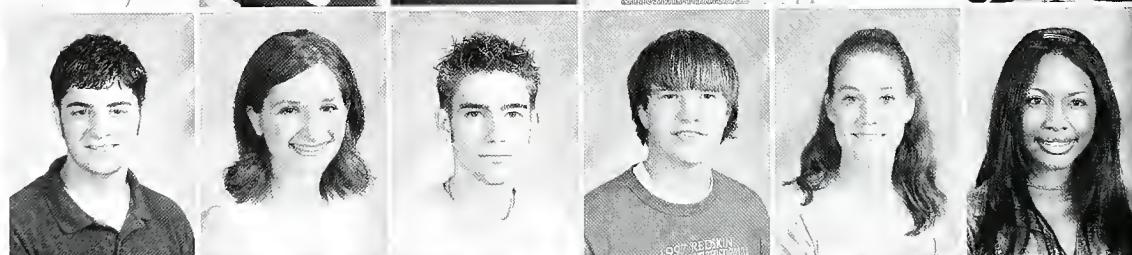
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Michael Brainerd  
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Christa Calvert  
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Brooks Carothers  
Emily Carr  
Cory Casella  
Chris Catti



Leslie Cheng  
Kari Childress  
Christopher Clark  
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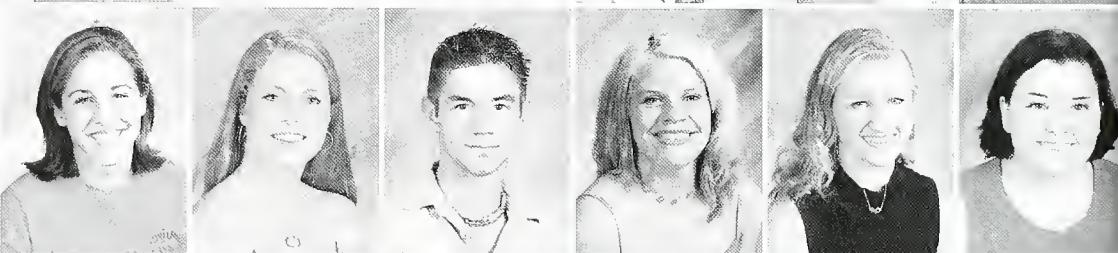
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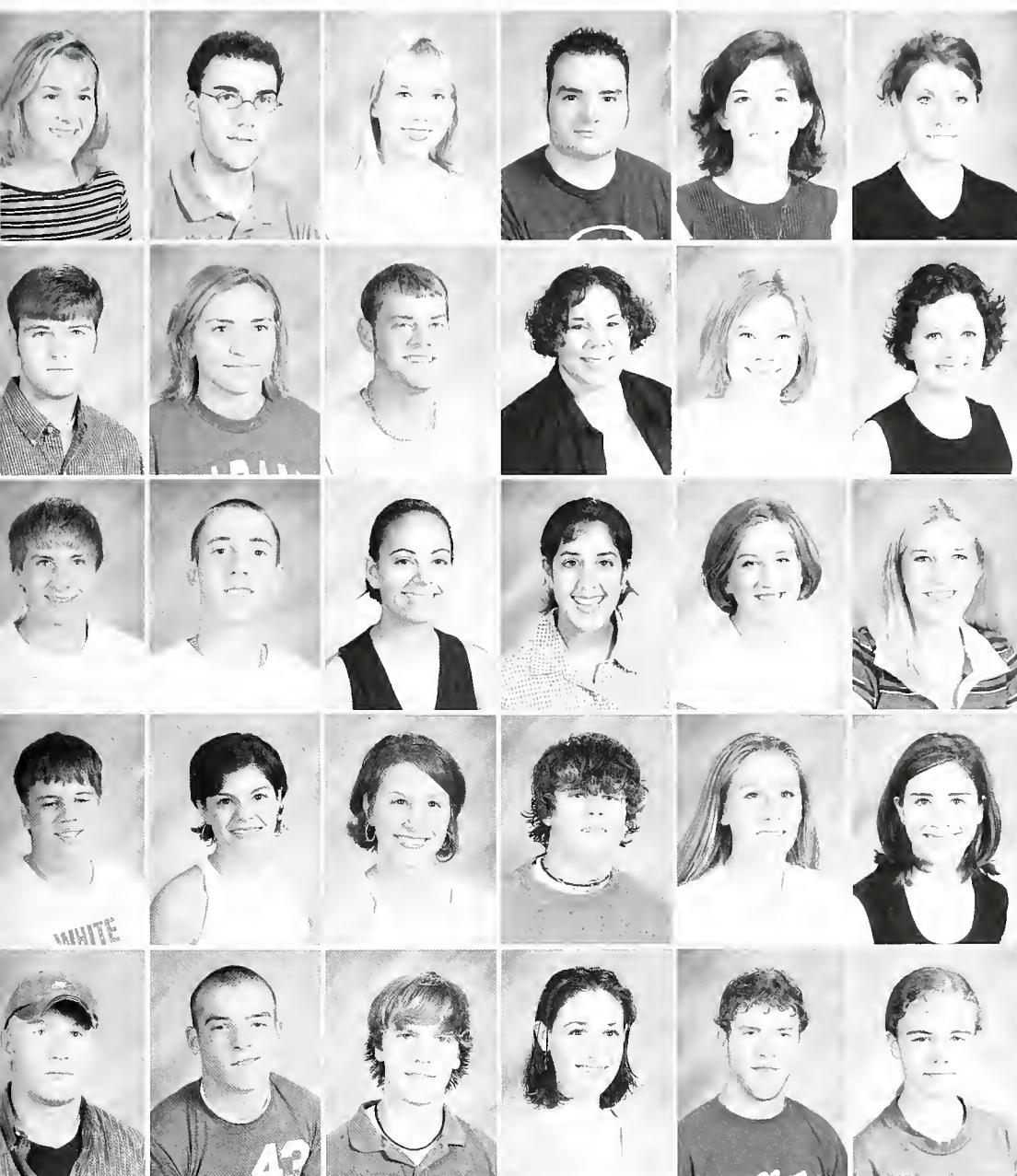


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Stephanie Maze

## Zac Gibson

*Freshman*

*"I feel safe at Birmingham-Southern. The food is even better than at home sometimes."*

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Robin McCarley  
Laura McCaslin  
Clay McCormick  
John McDonald



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Julia McMath  
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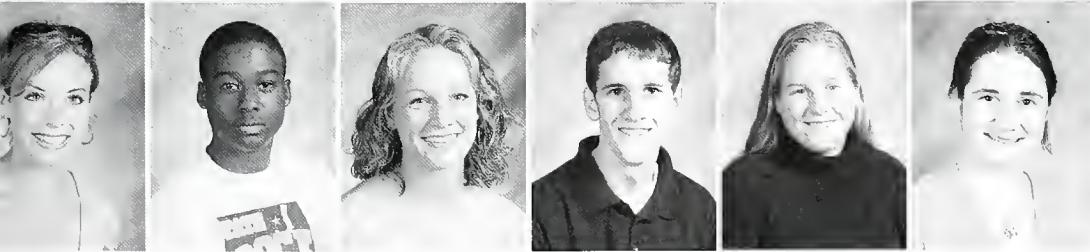
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Anna Sullivan  
Saran Sullivan  
Jason Taylor



Stacey Taylor  
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Anne Terry  
Dawn Treadwell  
Adam Tucker  
Michael Tucker



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Andrew Stuart Tyler  
Daniel Van Hauen  
Deidre Vaughn  
Elizabeth Vawter  
Jennifer Vester





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Jared Walker  
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Sarah Walker  
Sidney Walker  
Bradley Wardman  
Allison Warren



Lindsay Warren  
Alison Washington  
Kydall Waters  
Taylor Webb  
Justin Weinstein  
Lauren Wiersma



Raley Wiggins  
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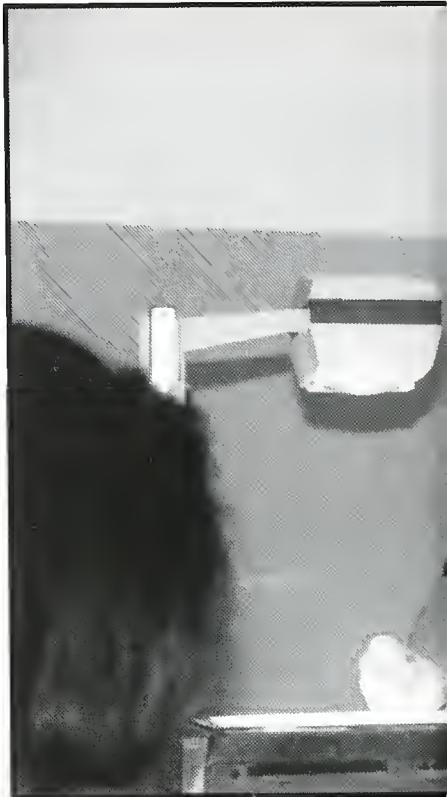
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# Faculty Makes the Difference

The faculty maintained a high level of excellence and dedication to the students. Because of their efforts, the school received consistently high rankings as one of America's top liberal arts colleges. With a 12:1 student to faculty ratio, the professors were able to focus on individual student's needs. Of the full-time members of the faculty, 88% held either a doctoral degree or the highest degree in their fields, and the professors' education did not stop there. Many

members of the faculty attended seminars and workshops over the summer, traveled abroad, or took extra classes themselves as a way of furthering their education and staying up-to-date with current teaching methods. One recent accomplishment of the faculty, and especially of those in the business department, was the accreditation of the school by the AACSB. This put the school in an elite category consisting of less than one percent of all colleges and universities.



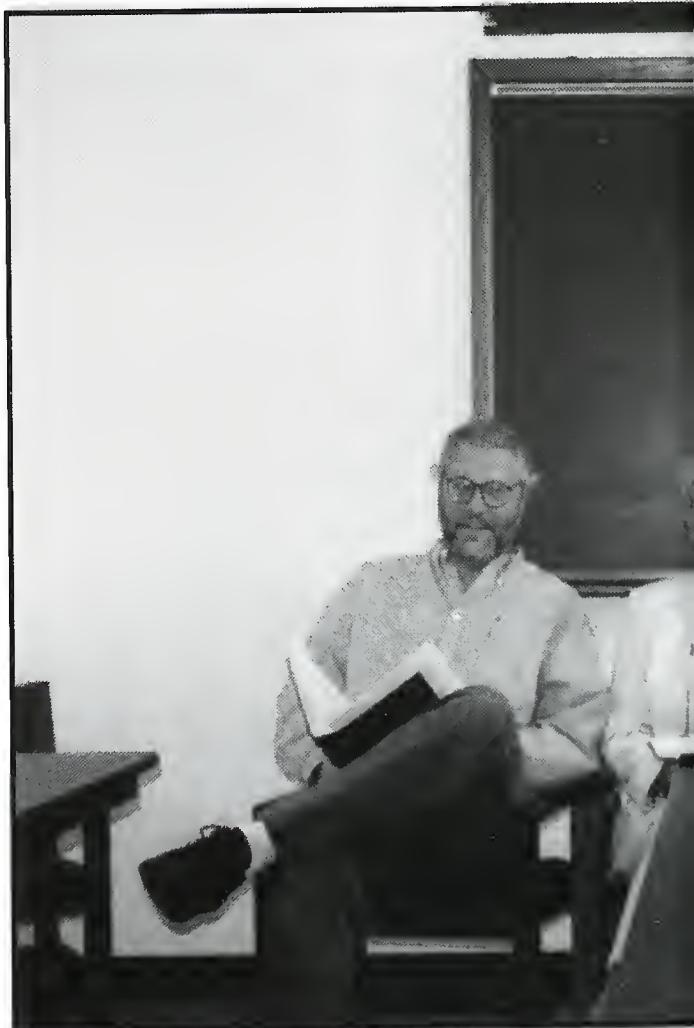
"The faculty here is terrific. Most of them try to make class as fun and exciting as possible.

Some of my favorite professors here are the ones that have challenged me to question my previous perceptions about society and the workings of the world. The faculty have also been very willing to meet with me individually, especially during soccer season, to make sure that I don't get behind in my classes." -- *Chris Frohock*



"One of the greatest things about the faculty at 'Southern is their accessibility. They know their students individually and are always more than willing to help in any way. I guess that's one of the great things about a small school."

-- *Ashley Zerull*





Balancing assets, liabilities, and owner's equity can be tricky, but Professor Hairrell shows how with ease.

A meeting over lunch is the only time Dr. Linchet and Anna Spruiell can find outside of class to discuss paper topics.



Dr. Ullrich and Dr. Cox team up to teach the Honors class *Fran-  
kenstein Meets Snow White*.



Dr. Lester enhances his knowl-  
edge by teaching at Oxford  
University over the summer.

# Administration & Security

**A**dministration and security were part of that group of people who worked behind the scenes to ensure the highest quality of life for everyone on campus. Their jobs were not easy and were often times overlooked. Although the administration did make the rules, they also provided direction for the school to take in the future. This included voting on future projects, seeing to it that student needs were met, and making sure the incoming faculty was of

the quality for which the school was nationally known. Security saw to it that the campus remained safe for students, faculty, staff, and visitors.

**Clockwise from right:** Director of Residence Life Amy McDermott sees to it that students have appropriate housing for the year. Security guards such as Officer Harris often stop to chat with students. Security stops vehicles without proper tags to keep strangers off our campus. Dudley Long, Vice President of Student Affairs works hard overseeing student publications and the Greek system. Alex Gresham, Dean of Students, is working with fraternities to change Bid Day next year.



"The administration does a wonderful job working with many organizations on campus such as Honor Council and SGA. Working in Student Affairs has allowed me to more accurately understand the contributions Alex, Dudley, and Amy make to this campus. They truly care for the students and do their best to help make college a positive and exciting experience."

-- Anna Spruiell



"Once a year, the Bertes host an Honors Dinner at their house. They invite both the students and faculty of the Honors Program. This has to be one of my favorite events because it creates a relaxed atmosphere in which we can talk about non-school related topics. Everyone ends up having a great time." -- Meg Gilmer





"The security guards here are wonderful. Not only do they keep our campus safe, but they also help students in times of need. They'll let you into a building if it's locked. You can also stop by before leaving on a holiday, and they will look over your car to make sure it's in good driving condition. They have even driven me to and from the airport so I wouldn't have to leave my car and pay for long-term parking. But still their most obvious and important role is keeping our campus safe." -- *Michael Kittinger*

"To be honest, I took them for granted and really didn't think much of them. But I was so surprised when they came and helped me out and followed me when I ran out of gas in downtown Birmingham. I was really impressed with how well they took care of me and made sure I made it back to campus safely." -- *Alison Duncan*







# Absolute

Throughout the year, the many activities of fraternities and sororities added excitement and fun to everyday campus life with a variety of events such as mixers, parties, and Greek Week. The fraternities and sororities were consistently above the all-men's and all-women's average GPA. Additionally, they were very active in philanthropic events supporting a wide range of charities and groups. Each fraternity and sorority sponsored its own philanthropy . The Greek system also experienced many changes including delayed rush and the groundbreaking of a new fraternity row. The Greek system embraced the changes and continued to strengthen a solid 'Southern tradition that made the system Absolute Greek.

The freshmen rushees are welcomed by the sororities. The rushees and sorority women alike illustrated the excitement that the Greeks brought to campus.

# Greek

# Sorority Bid Day

On Sorority Bid Day all of the sororities congregated in the sorority amphitheater to await the arrival of their new members. The sororities all cheered and sang while the fraternities and other students watched the rushees run up the hill from Simpson.

Following the chaotic celebration, girls became more acquainted with one another and participated in group photos.



To let their new members know that they love them, the Pi Beta Phis sing and cheer. *Photos provided by Bill Wagnon.*

After opening their bid cards in Simpson, the rushees run up the hill to the cheering sororities.





The Zeta Tau Alphas and the Kappa Deltas rush to meet their new members.

Eagerly anticipating their new members, The Kappa Deltas loudly cheer to show their excitement.

The Chi Omegas chant and sing to let their new members know they are waiting.





The sisters of AKA enjoy a service project at the New Pilgrim Towers.



The sisters of AKA celebrate birthdays at the New Pilgrim Towers.

During a Preview Day, Nina Jones joins with other sorority representatives to inform prospective students about sororities on campus.



# Alpha Kappa Alpha

Alpha Kappa Alpha is the oldest black sorority. Throughout the year, members of the chapter on campus actively participated in a variety of projects. In the past members have worked for Habitat for Humanity, baked cookies for Children's Hospital, prepared and delivered baskets to Bread and Roses, held financial planning seminars, and organized fundraisers for the UNCF. AKA also has worked with the graduate chapter through community service projects and leadership development seminars. The sisters worked to uphold the high standards of honor, sisterhood, service to mankind, and scholarship.

Nina Jones, Angela Ross, Sonja Smith, Paula Boyd, and Loretta Mosley have fun during the in-take process.

Candidates from the previous year proudly wear their letters.



Sisters pose for a Zap at their annual philanthropy event Casino. Proceeds went to support domestic violence victims.



At the McWane Center, Alpha Chi's enjoy an evening of music, fun, and interactive games at their Fall Party.



Some sisters pose before the guys run down the hill on Fraternity Bid Day.

The flag football team celebrates its fourth place finish following the playoffs.





# Alpha Chi Omega

The members of Alpha Chi Omega enjoyed being involved actively both on campus and in the community throughout the year. Whether in the classroom or on the Intramural field, Alpha Chis worked hard to achieve their goals. Alpha Chi Omega continued to aid domestic violence victims through cash donations raised at Casino, their annual campus-wide philanthropy event, and locally by volunteering at and stuffing toiletry bags for the women of Jesse's Place.



Celebrating their new members, Alpha Chis come together for a fun night of bowling and sisterhood.

After a long and hard week of Rush, the effort of members pays off as twenty-seven new members are welcomed.

The Pandas are all smiles as they celebrate winning the intramural football championship.



Gathering together, the chapter prepares for Christmas.



After a long week of Rush, the Pandas are eager to meet their new members.

Sisters Emily Heck, Allison Lee, Ashley Zurell, and Elaine Haskins spend their Interim together in Chile for Service Learning.



# Alpha Omicron Pi

To support Alpha Omicron Pi's national philanthropy, arthritis research, the Tau Deltas spent a day at Camp MASH, a camp for children with arthritis. Members had lots of fun running a carnival at the camp for the children and their families. In September, the chapter had its annual Riverboat party, followed by Mystic in November. In December, the chapter conducted its annual womanless beauty contest, Mr. Hilltopper, to raise money for arthritis research. Mr. Ross Litkenhous was crowned the 2001 Mr. Hilltopper. In the spring the chapter raised more money for its philanthropy with the event Stick Up for Arthritis.



Freshmen girls cheer proudly and loudly after finding out they are new AOPi's.

Chi O members celebrate Halloween with a party at the West End Library.

Seniors join together before Chi O's first party of the year, Cabana.

The Sophomore Pledge Class prepares for Skit Night during Rush.



Chi O sisters relax during the activities following Bid Day where they welcomed new members.

The Chi O intramural football team joins together following the championship game.

# Chi Omega

The Omicron Lambda chapter of Chi Omega was blessed with twenty-eight beautiful and enthusiastic members for the year. Chi O's promoted Panhellenic relations by supporting other sororities' philanthropy events, and they also excelled in academics by having study-break parties and visits from the Scholarship Patrol. Chi O's realized the need for balance, and they had many mixers on Thursday nights with the fraternities on campus. The Chi O Fall Party was held at the B and A Warehouse, and the Formal was held at the McWane Center with musical entertainment by the Connection. Chi O's also spent time with one another during sisterhood retreats, Chi O Out-to-Eats, new member retreats, Bible studies, and volunteering three days a week at the West End Library. Chi Omega was a very diverse group with different talents, interests, and abilities, but all members came together to form one sisterhood. All realized the uniqueness and individuality of each sister and embraced and gained strength from those differences.

Some members of the Freshman Pledge Class proudly sport their costumes for Halloween on the Hilltop.



Junior members dress up as they prepare for their mixer with Sigma Chi.



During one of Kappa Delta's philanthropy events, the senior members hang out at the fountain with some Girl Scouts.

Following Initiation, the Freshman Pledge Class joins together for photos.

Sophomore members wait to begin an Icebreaker Party on the first night of Rush.





# Kappa Delta

Kappa Delta encouraged sisterhood, scholarship, and campus prestige. The sisters of Kappa Delta were continually involved in community projects and campus organizations. Kappa Delta worked hard to aid children's organizations and to prevent child abuse through their philanthropy fund raisers Komedy Klub and Shamrock. Kappa Delta sisterhood grew stronger as members strived for that which was honorable, beautiful, and highest.

Preparing for Bid Day, Katherine Thomas, Kappa Delta President, and Allison Norell, a senior member, decorate the house.

The sisters of Kappa Delta eagerly await the new Freshman Pledge Class on Bid Day.



Seniors Natalie Hummel, McCharen Pratt, and Lora Leigh Griggs reminisce on four years of fall parties.



After a week of posters and clues, new members find out the identity of their big sisters.



After a long week of Rush, Pi Beta Phis enjoy one last chapter picture before welcoming their new members.

Sarah and Lydia Miller give new meaning to sisterhood.



# Pi Beta Phi

Throughout the year, the Alabama Alpha chapter of Pi Beta Phi continued to expand upon the traditions set by its founders in 1867. With the aim of cultivating sincere friendship, Pi Phis spent time together promoting service, scholastics, and social events. Each month, Pi Beta Phi sponsored Woodrow Wilson Elementary School's Student of the Month Party as part of the sorority's national Links to Literacy program. Additionally, the group donated to the Arrowmont School of Arts of Crafts. In class, on campus, and in the community, sisters strived to uphold the highest ideals and standards. The chapter provided only a beginning to a lifelong commitment to service, scholarship, and sisterhood for its members through the strong bonds of Pi Beta Phi.

A mixer at Krispy Kreme gives new pledges time to bond with their new sisters.

Pi Phis celebrate summer birthdays at a Half-Birthday Party during their December Sisterhood Retreat in Gulf Shores.



Members of the Senior Pledge class enjoy their last Fall Party.

New members enjoy BBQ and meet one another during Bid Day activities.

Zeta's wait for their new members to arrive on Bid Day.



Several members of the Junior Pledge Class join together for a quick photo at the Fall Party.

Junior members prepare for Pref Night during Rush.



# Zeta Tau Alpha

Zeta Tau Alpha is a social and service organization that maintains 225 chapters across the United States and Canada. It is the third largest social organization in the nation. The Alpha Nu chapter at Birmingham-Southern provided a means for personal enrichment and growth, leadership development, scholastic achievement, and networking opportunities. Alpha Nu also participated in service opportunities in Birmingham and was a major donor to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Zetas had three date parties--Fall Party, Crown Ball, and White Violet. They also participated in intramural sports, had mixers with the fraternities on campus, and were involved in campus organizations.



Following a long week of Rush, the Sophomore Pledge Class relaxes as members come together for a photo.

The sisters of Alpha Chi Omega and their guests enjoy one of the favorite mixers of the year, Margaritaville.



At one of ATO's parties, Adam Brasher and Branden Faulkner take a break from the action to pose for a quick photo.

Some of the members of Kappa Delta relax on the deck at one of Sigma Nu's parties.



# Greek Life

On campus, the Greek system consisted of six fraternities and seven sororities. The Greek students participated in social, athletic, academic, and philanthropic events. Additionally, most of the Greek organizations participated in intramural sports. The students who joined Greek organizations formed strong bonds not only with members of their particular organization but with members of other Greek clubs as well. Members of the fraternities and sororities became acquainted with one another through events such as mixers. Panhellenic encouraged interaction between different sororities by sponsoring officer dinners, and some sororities participated in pledge class dinners. Some of the fraternities had joint parties, such as Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Alpha Tau Omega's joint party and Theta Chi and Kappa Alpha's joint party. Being a member of a Greek organization was an enriching and fulfilling experience through which students were given opportunities to make lasting friendships.

Sporting Hawaiian attire, the Chi Omega sisters get together for a quick picture before attending one of their mixers.



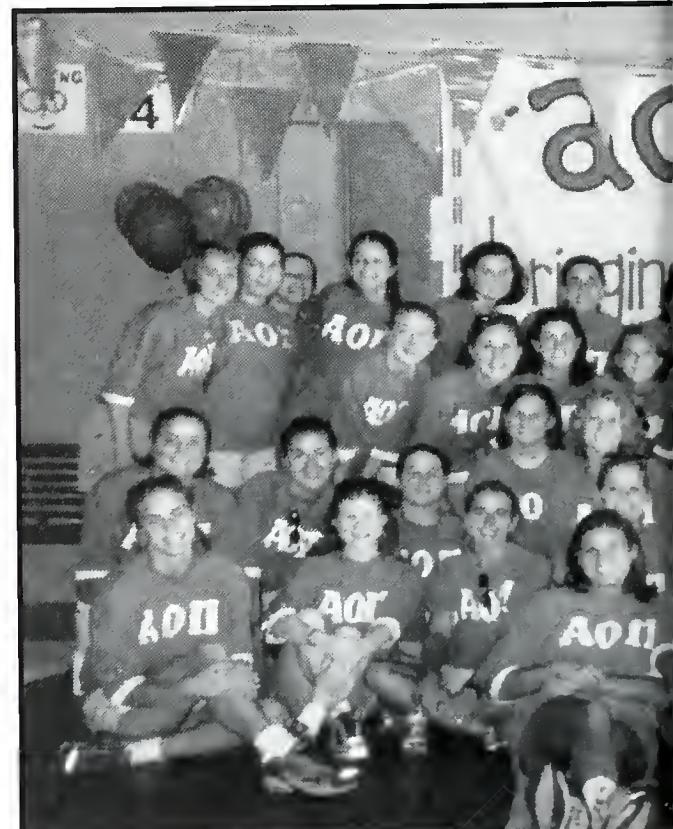
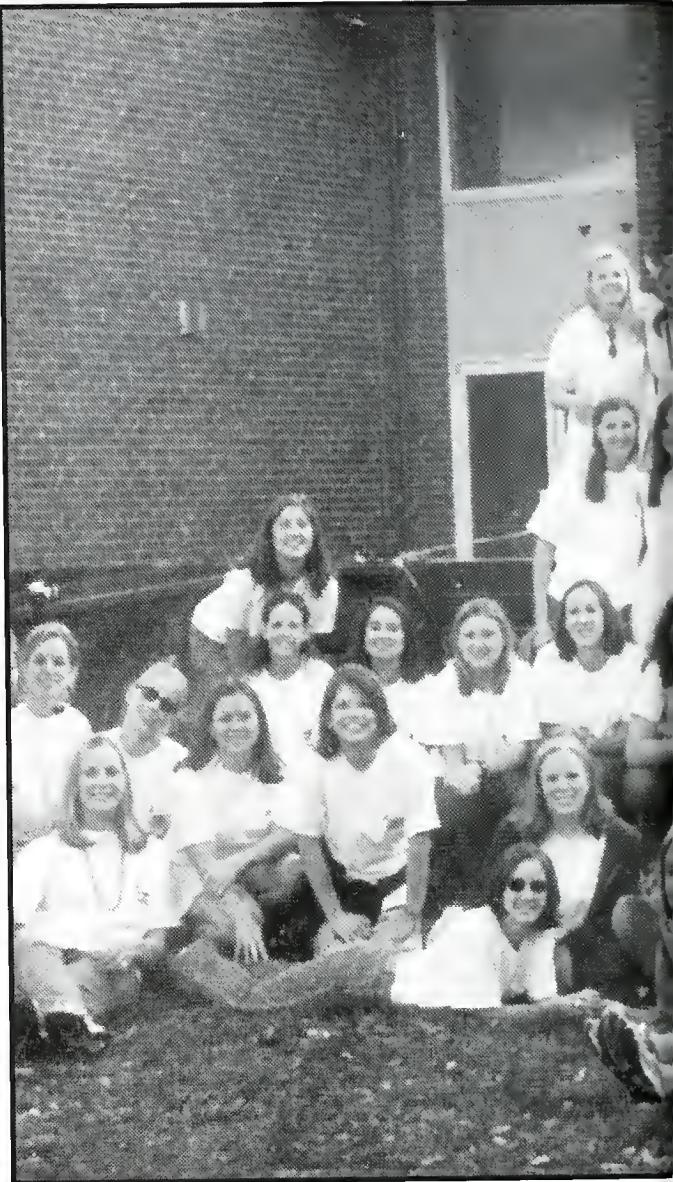
At Shamrock, one of their annual philanthropy events, Kappa Deltas join together for a picture.

Hard at work, members of Zeta Tau Alpha have fun completing a service project together.



The sisters of Alpha Omicron Pi enjoy a day of service at M\*A\*S\*H, a camp for children with arthritis.

Several Greek organizations, including Chi O, serve the neighborhood children by participating in Halloween on the Hilltop.



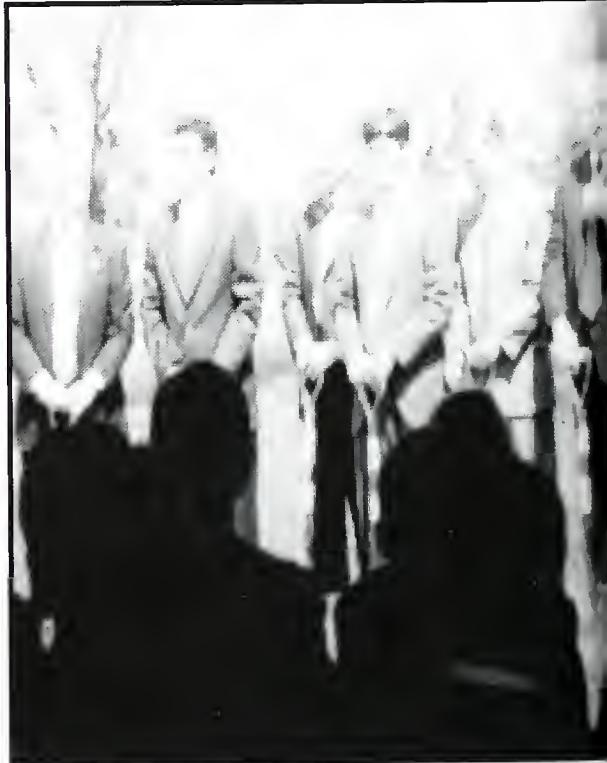
# Philanthropy

The Greek system was committed to service. Each fraternity and sorority had its own philanthropy that it sponsored throughout the year. Some of the groups chose to support the same philanthropy as in previous years, while other groups picked new philanthropies. The fraternities and sororities were also very dedicated to helping the philanthropies of others as well. Many Greek organizations had fundraisers that depended on the support of other Greek groups such as Kappa Delta's Komedy Klub and Sigma Chi's Derby Days. These events gave students of different Greek affiliations a chance to interact as well as support a good cause. The philanthropies that the Greek organizations sponsored ranged from the Children's Hospital to the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Every group was dedicated to serving the community and to supporting their fellow Greek students in their service endeavors.



With plans for their house in hand, Alpha Tau Omega brothers are excited that construction will start soon.

Construction on the first house began early in the spring.



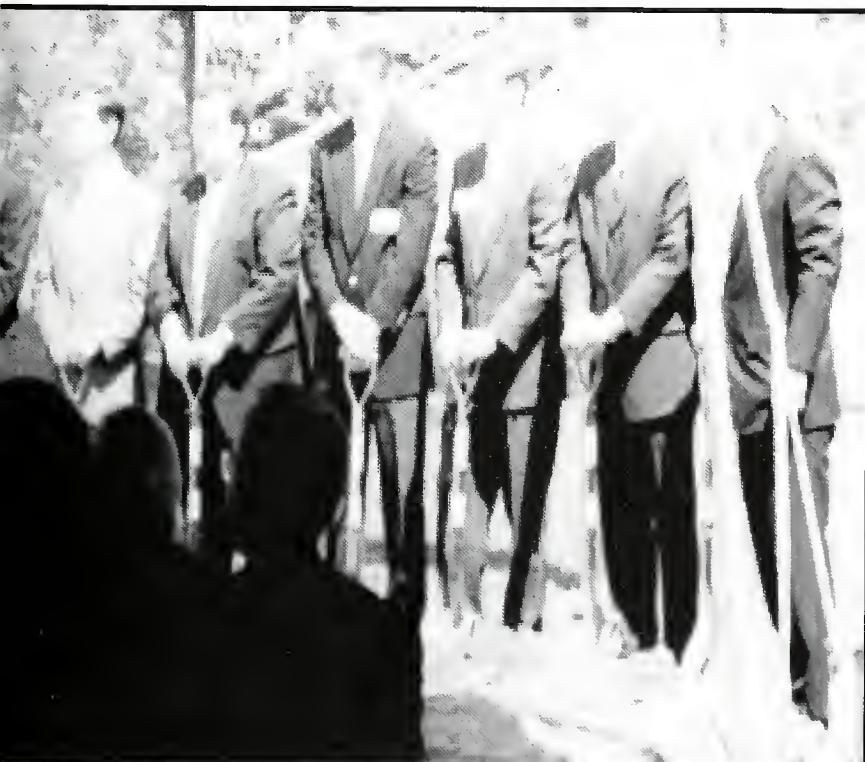
Members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon break ground at the sight of their new house.

Administrators, alumni, and student representatives participate in the groundbreaking ceremony.



# **Fraternity Row Ground- breaking**

Construction for the new Fraternity Row began early in the academic year. A representative from each fraternity was present for the Groundbreaking ceremony as well as several members of the administration. Also among the guests were fraternity alumni and donors. The fraternities all worked very hard to raise the funds for their new houses. Many alumni of the college also helped to raise support and funds. At the ceremony, a representative from each fraternity, several administrators, and several of the donors broke the ground simultaneously. Several people also spoke about the new Fraternity Row and about what an enormous addition it would be to the college. The new Fraternity Row was made possible by the hard work of the fraternities, the careful planning of the administrators, and the contributions of the donors.



Jansen Voss and Hans Ford enjoy one of many mixers.



The new pledges dress up for the Alpha Chi Omega Halloween Mixer.



ATO brothers enjoy a fun night at a joint party with SAE.





# Alpha Tau Omega

Alpha Tau Omega is one of the oldest fraternities on campus. Throughout the year, members dedicated much of their time to philanthropic events such as tutoring children and helping out at homeless shelters. The members actively participated in intramural activities as well as campus organizations. Additionally, brothers enjoyed numerous social events during the year. During the fall, mixers were hosted as well as the annual event Viking which has spread to other chapters across the nation. Also held in the fall was the annual Pledge Dance. Members epitomized diversity, loyalty, and friendship.

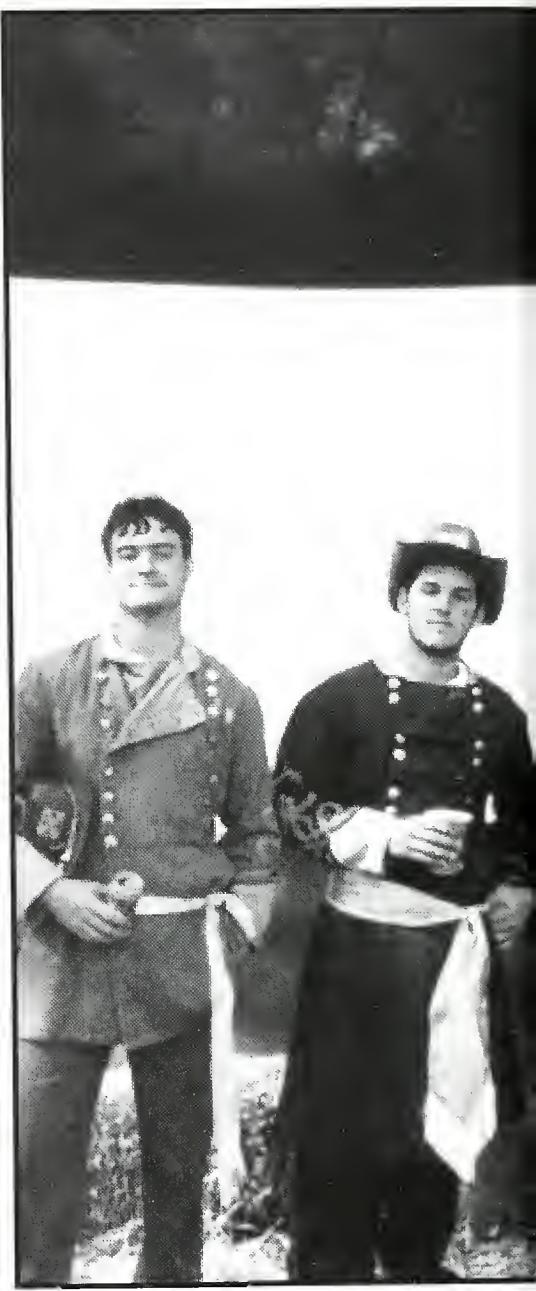


With their dates, members of ATO enjoy the first night of their annual two night date party Vike.

For the Old South Lawn Party, brothers wear Civil War Era clothing.

Kappa Alpha brothers enjoy Spring Break in Jackson Hole, Wyoming.

Ross Beshear, J.D. Reed, Jay Motley, Lauten Johnson, Beau Bradford, Shay Byars, and Jim Inzer sport tuxedos for the Old South Formal in Nashville.



In Wyoming, senior members enjoy the friendships that have been formed.

Members of Kappa Alpha celebrate Bid Day as they wait for their new members to run down the hill.





# Kappa Alpha

The Kappa Alpha Order based itself on Christian ideals of gentlemanly conduct. KA was founded in 1882 by four men who were inspired by Robert E. Lee, KA's spiritual founder. Members of KA were involved in numerous organizations, honoraries, and athletic teams on campus. The Phi chapter also won multiple awards for chapter excellence in its history. KA members believed in chivalry and brotherhood. These beliefs helped form tight bonds between the brothers and lifetime friendships. KA helped prepare its members for life during and after college. --Beau Bradford



The Senior Pledge Class joins together for a picture at their final Lawn Party.

Several brothers enjoy a wet and crazy evening at the Wet-N-Wild Mixer.

While enjoying Bid Day, members of Sigma Alpha Epsilon welcome their new pledges.



At their Christmas party, brothers have a good time and some elves stop by to bring a little holiday cheer.

Upperclassmen welcome new pledges each year with a Pledge Dance.





# Sigma Alpha Epsilon

At the University of Alabama, Sigma Alpha Epsilon was founded on March 9, 1856 with a basis of intellectual and Christian ideals. Established in 1878, the Birmingham-Southern chapter still embodied the goodwill, justice, and honor promoted by the motto, "The True Gentlemen." The chapter has won many awards for scholastic and academic endeavors. The community service of the group has benefitted groups such as Muscular Dystrophy, Multiple Sclerosis, Cystic Fibrosis, and the Children's Hospital of Alabama. Many members of the chapter were also actively involved in campus honoraries recognizing both academic success and leadership.



Several brothers enjoy themselves at SAE's annual Deer and Beer.

Sigma Chi brothers enjoy their Red Necks and Long Necks Mixer with Kappa Delta.

With their dates, members enjoy a night out in New Orleans for their annual Acadian event.



While in Gulf Shores, Sigma Chi brothers enjoy a deep-sea fishing trip.

Bryant Walker and Kyle Neal cut up at one of Sigma Chi's mixers.





# Sigma Chi

In the Greek world, Sigma Chi is one of the oldest and largest fraternities. The diverse group of men at BSC was unified by their common pursuit of friendship, justice, and learning as other chapters across the nation. Brothers were committed to academics and athletics as well as community service. The fraternity helped such organizations as Children's Hospital, Fire House Men's Shelter, and Tornado Disaster Relief. Through the philanthropic event of Derby Days, brothers raised money for the Alabama Children's Miracle Network. In addition to achievement and involvement on campus, Sigma Chi supported an active social program.



Brothers and pledges strengthen their brotherhood at a weekend retreat outside Birmingham.



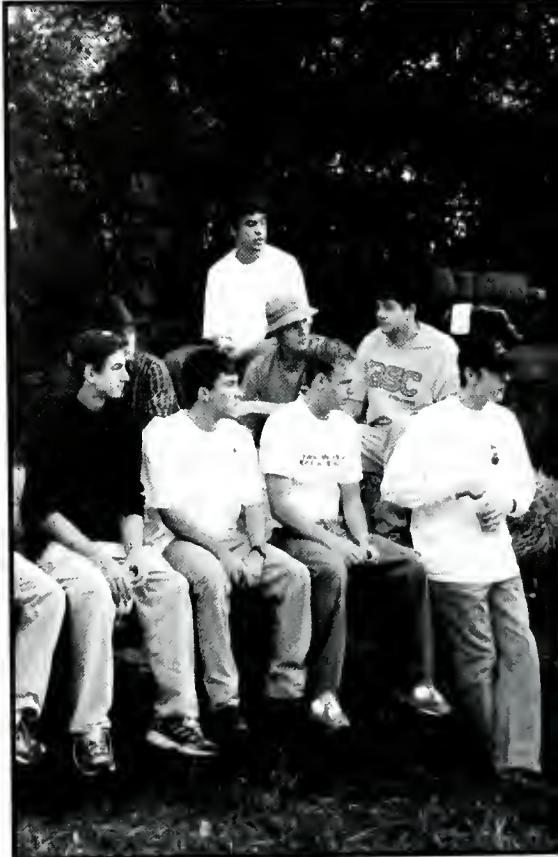
At the Chi Omega Fall Party, Sigma Nu members converse with fellow Sigma Nu from Samford.

Sigma Nu sweetheart Knight Long joins with the brothers at Winter Knights, the initiation party.



While at Sigma Nu's National Headquarters, sophomores pose for a photo.

In September, Sigma Nu pledges enjoy their first retreat in Limestone County.





# Sigma Nu

Built on the ideals of love, truth, and honor, Sigma Nu built a strong brotherhood. Academically, the chapter maintained a GPA that was often higher than the all-school, all-men, and all-Greek averages as was evident by the many honors that members held. Additionally, the chapter was involved in numerous campus activities which fostered the leadership skills of its members. As did other Greek organizations, Sigma Nu actively participated in community service. Brothers were involved in campus sponsored events and also sponsored a philanthropy event known as Paladia. The chapter also participated in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program in Birmingham.



The Aristocrat family and their dates join together at Sigma Nu's annual Undertaker's Coalition Pledge Dance.

Roger Ball, Kathrine Kellum, Will Moore, and Mary Louis Lydick attend Oktoberfest.



At a Road Warriors Mixer, brothers join with Alpha Omicron Pi for some fun.



At the annual Beach Formal, Theta Chi's enjoy a fun and relaxing weekend with their dates.

While attending Alpha Omicron Pi's Riverboat Party, the brothers pose with sweetheart Betsy Yoe.



# Theta Chi

Theta Chi was one of the most diverse and dynamic groups on campus. Members set high standards for themselves and refused to compromise them. Brothers were actively involved in numerous campus honoraries and a variety of organizations. The group consistently maintained a GPA that exceeded the all-men and all-fraternity averages. Many Theta Chi's also received national honors for their achievements. Brothers also enjoyed participating in intramural activities as well as sponsoring numerous parties. The brotherhood meant living, learning, working, and socializing with a group of true friends.



At Stampede, the brothers boil some crawfish as some of their guests watch.





# Absolute

*"Skinner: Uh oh two independent thought alarms in one day. The children are overstimulated. Willie remove all the colored chalk from the classrooms." The Simpsons*

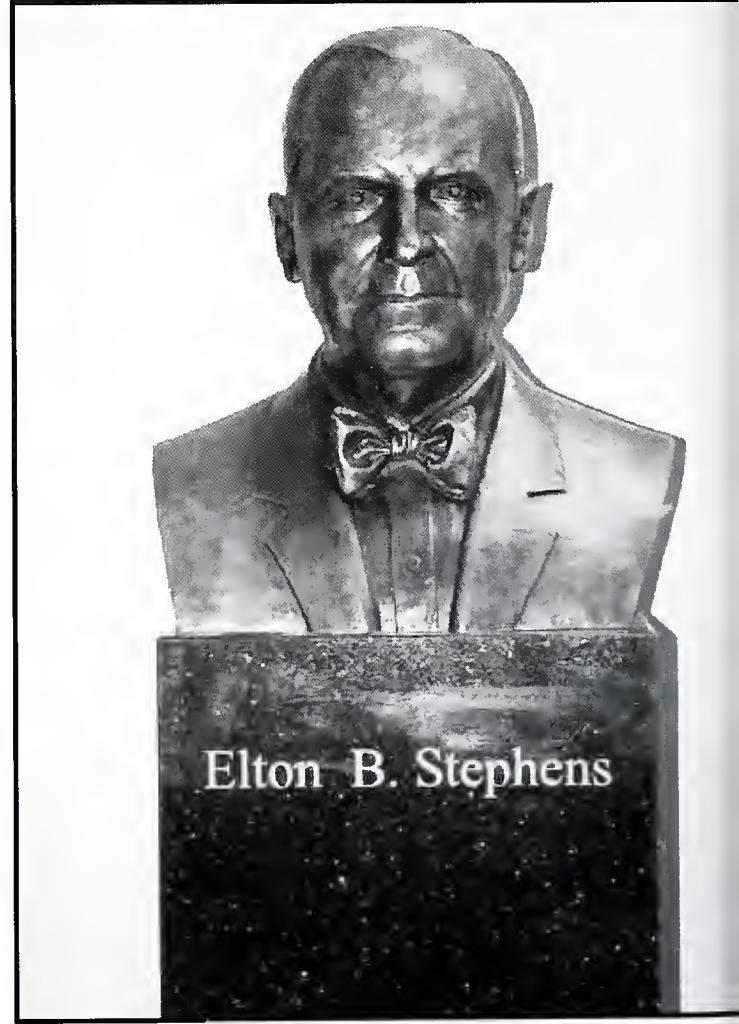
In a bold move to set new standards for academic quality, the faculty implemented the new Foundations curriculum with the entering freshman class this year. Along with these curriculum changes, the school opened the state of the art Stephens Science Center. Amidst these exciting additions and traditions of Hilltop academics, the pain of registration, and the confusion surrounding the mysterious 1-Y classes, professors and students forged relationships and achieved the excellence that sets the school's academics apart from other colleges. Everyone was dedicated to promoting a learning environment.

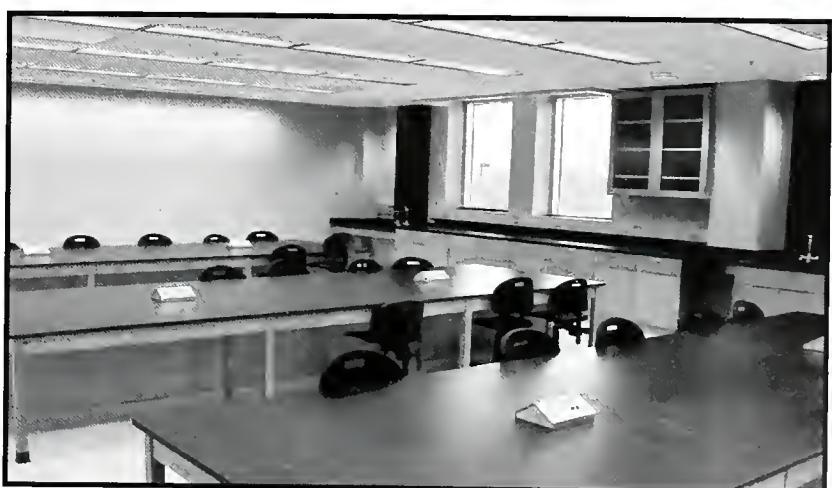
Freshman, Liz McTeer, revises her literary analysis for her Intro to Literature class. Students spent many hours armed with pen and paper to meet the challenges set for by their professors.

# Dedication

# The Elton B. Stephens Science Center

The school put *Science on Display* May 9th with the dedication of a new 100,000 square-foot, twenty-four million dollar Elton B. Stephens Science Center as an undergraduate science teaching and research facility. The Stephens Science Center was made possible through a fifteen million dollar gift from Elton B. Stephens and James T. Stephens of Birmingham, along with contributions from other individuals, corporations, and foundations. The contributions from the Stephens included a five million dollar challenge gift. Students looked forward to the new experiences that the Science Center would provide in future years.





# Mathematics and Science

**A**s we enter the 21st century and a world in which science and technology will permeate virtually every facet of life, the disciplines of the Division of Science and Mathematics will be central to a modern, high quality liberal arts education. The Division includes the disciplines of mathematics, with its abstract beauty and its practical applications; the natural sciences of physics, chemistry, and biology, which strive to understand the natural world; and computer science, which is opening up vast new ways of knowing. Disciplinary majors and minors are offered in biology, chemistry, computer science, mathematics, and physics. Interdisciplinary majors are offered in biology-psychology and computer science-mathematics. An interdisciplinary minor in environmental studies is also offered. -Contributed by Clyde Stanton

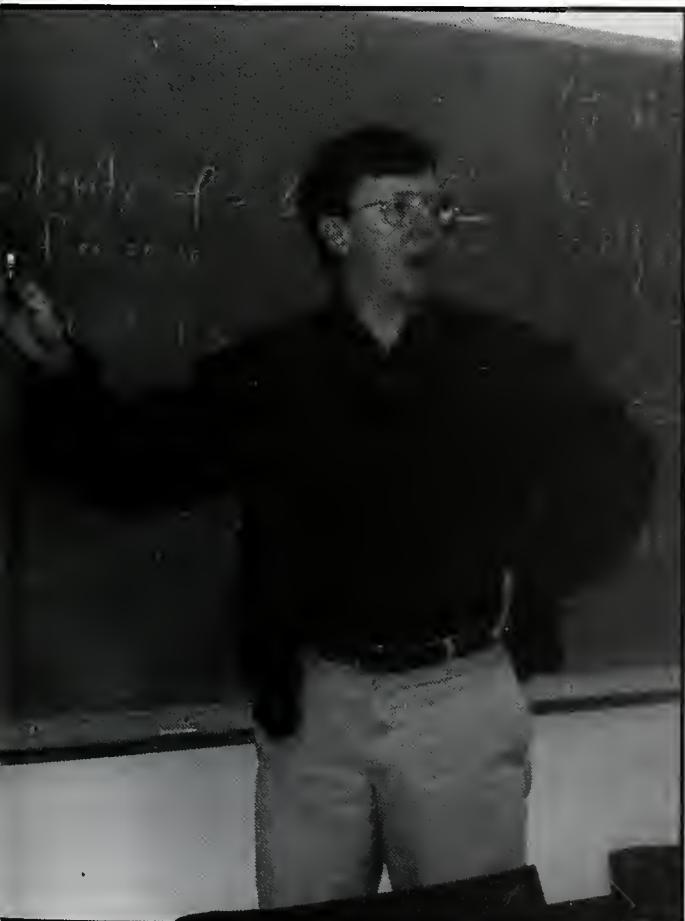


Despite the serious assignments, students and professors manage to have some fun during weekly labs.



Dr. Shew illustrates a scientific principle on the chalkboard in the middle of a lecture.

William Barton, a senior, studies for the MCAT in preparation for medical school.



Dr. Pontius lectures to a small class of physics students.

Students must focus and concentrate when performing exact scientific experiments.



# Behavioral and Social Sciences

The Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences includes the disciplines of political science, psychology, and sociology. These disciplines employ scientific methods to develop understanding of human behavior in all of its manifestations. Courses in these disciplines encourage critical and objective thinking about behavioral phenomena. A major in any of the three disciplines can prepare students for graduate and professional school as well as for a variety of occupations that benefit from these perspectives. Interdisciplinary major and minors are clearly defined programs of study that can also be suitable preparation for either employment or further study. -Contributed by Terry S. Goodrick

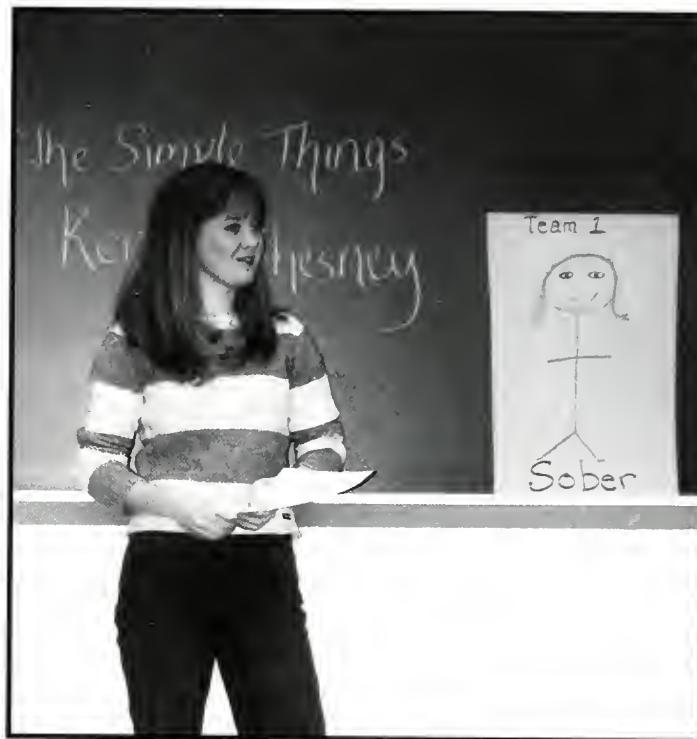


Junior political science majors, Drew Isom and Toni Newborn discuss the research project they are designing for SOPS 304.



Dr. Slagter conducts a mock focus group with his political science/ sociology students.

Student presentations are common for Intro to Psychology classes.



Brooke Emfinger fills out a survey for a political science class.

Dr. Nancy Davis lectures in one of her psychology classes.



# Fine and Performing Arts

The knowledge and experiences gained for the arts are considered a vital part of a liberal arts education. The Division of Fine and Performing Arts includes studies in the areas of art, music, dance, speech, and theatre. Students are encouraged to be creative and also develop the skills necessary to make educated judgements about artistic works. In doing so, students develop critical thinking skills and also develop an appreciation for the arts that will last a lifetime.



Sophomore music major Katie Smith studies for her sightsinging test prior to class. Traditionally, the sophomore year was the hardest for music majors.

Professor Pamela Venz critiques her Basic Photography students' first assignment. Critiques were an important part of the learning process in most art classes.

In the lounge of Hill Music Building, senior Walker Hayes practices for his guitar lesson.





Professor Alan Litsey lectures to his Advanced Acting Class in Theatre One.

Concentratig on his technique, Jud Chason works to complete an assigment for his Basic Painting class.



As a senior art major with a concentration in painting, Alicia McCaghren completes her self-portrait as part of her senior project.

Rebecca Perry and Bonnie Wooten complete a ballet dance in the Student Choreography Workshop.

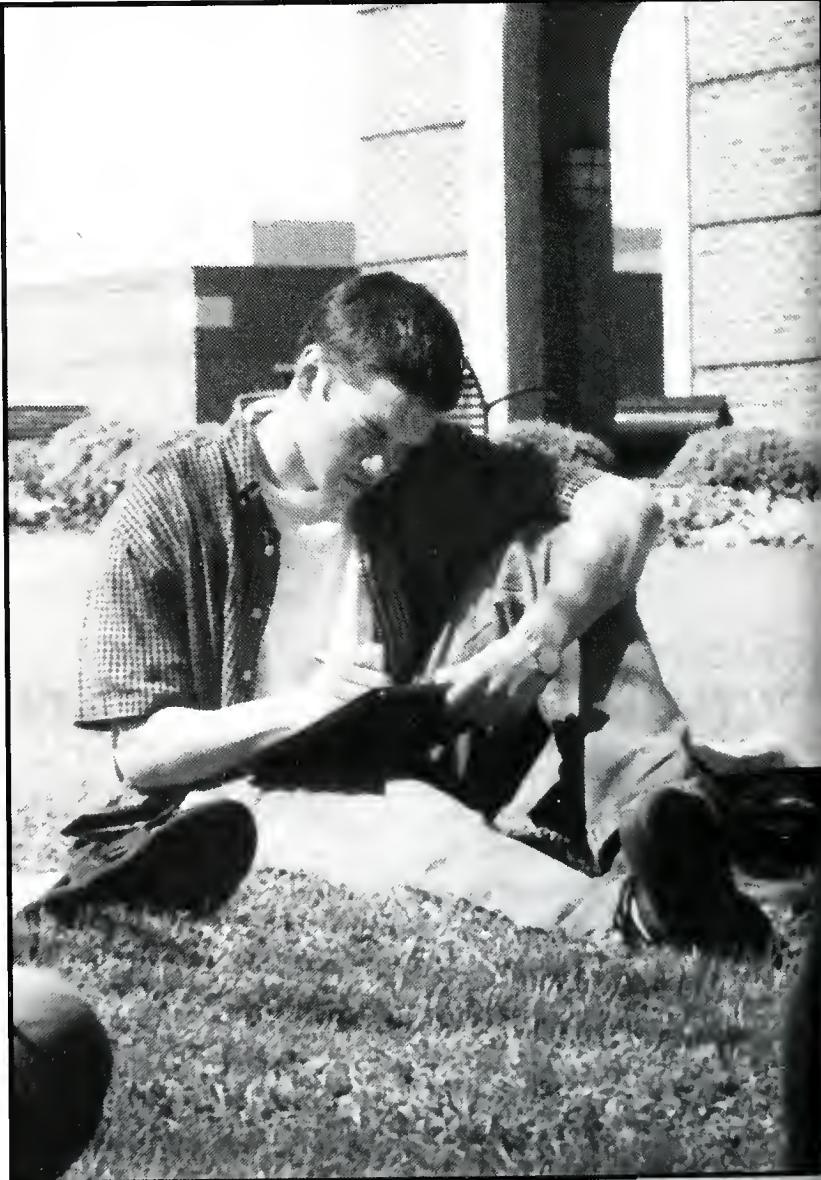


# Humanities and Education

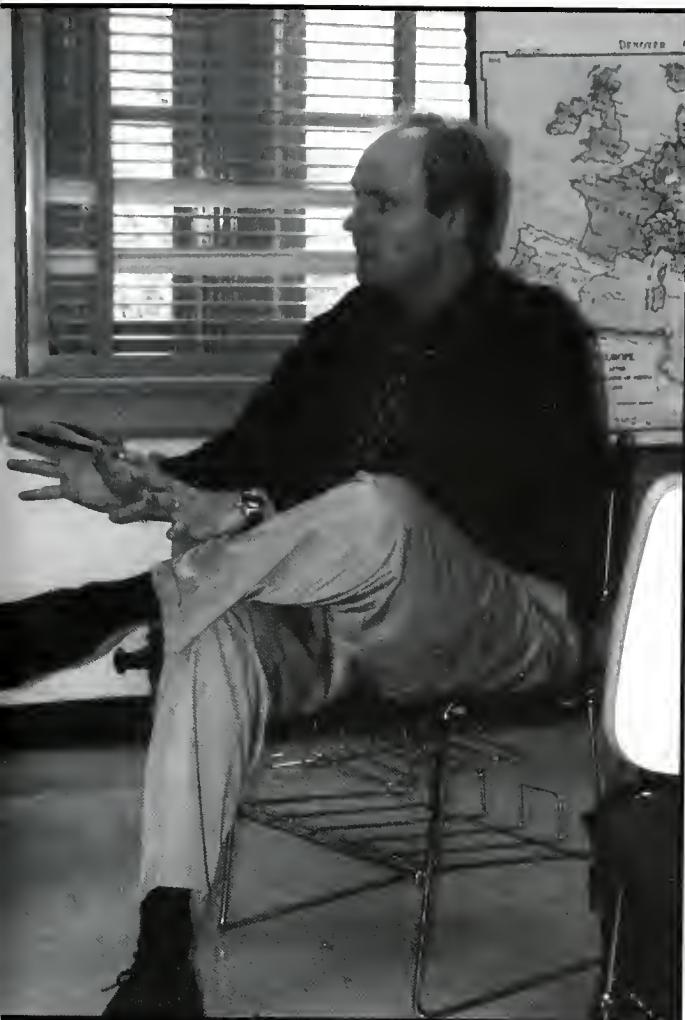
The study of the humanities is at the heart of a liberal arts education for two important reasons. First, it looks backward to our varied cultural heritage and forward to our future, giving us a sense of community. Second, it hones our critical thinking and communication skills, giving us the foundation necessary for leadership and service within that community. The humanities teach us to know ourselves- our ethical values and religious heritage, our cultural background, the poems, plays, and stories of our lives. The humanities also teach us to learn from those we think of as different-to explore other viewpoints and value systems, to experience other people's ceremonies and traditions, and to listen to their stories. In celebrating our differences, we discover what humanity has in common. - *Contributed by John Tatter*



Dr. Lewis reads aloud to her lower level Spanish class. Hearing a foreign language spoken presented a different perspective for students.

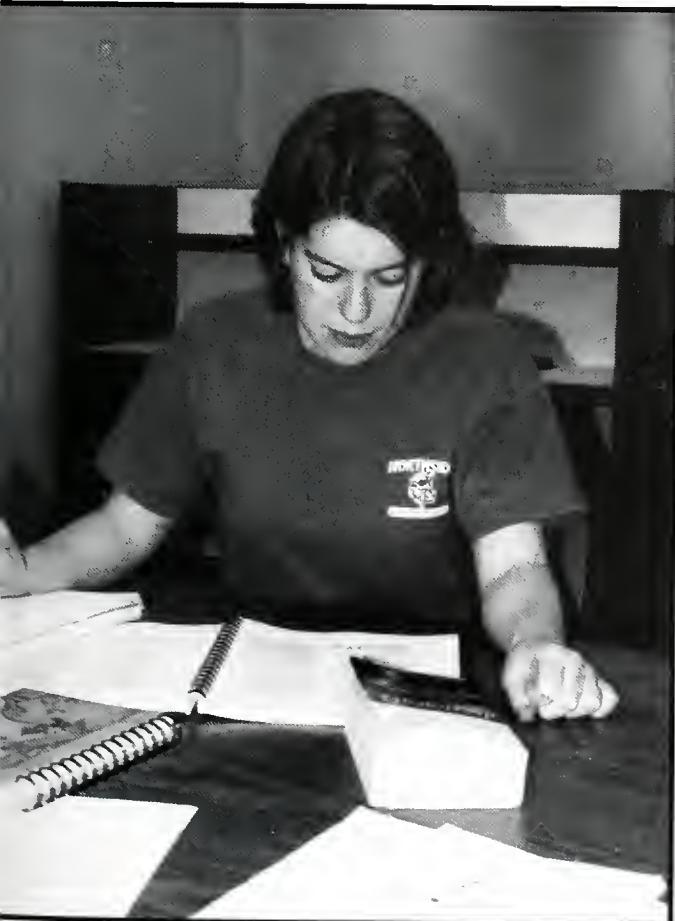


Sophomore Hunter Russell takes notes during a class lecture on the academic quad. Many classes ventured outside on sunny afternoons.



Dr. Donahue shares his thoughts with others during a poetry workshop.

Taking advantage of pretty spring afternoons, some classes opted to meet outside.



Sara Doughton, an English major, revises a paper for one of her classes. She also helped other students with writing assignments by working in the Writing Center.



As an assignment for an education class, sophomore Betsy McCloud completes a set of lesson plans.

# Business and Economics

The Division of Business and Graduate Programs includes the disciplines of accounting, business administration, and economics. The mission-linked goals are as follows.

**Teamwork** – to work productively with others

**Decision-making** – to analyze and synthesize the elements of a situation, generate alternatives, and recommend a course of action

**Critical thinking** – to gather, analyze, and synthesize information and to identify misinformation, prejudice, one-sidedness

**Communication skills** – to make convincing arguments in both written and oral forms

**Global and cultural awareness** – to think outside one's own local contexts

**Professional responsibility** – to demonstrate appropriate professional demeanor and ethics

**Independent learning** – to organize one's own research and learning

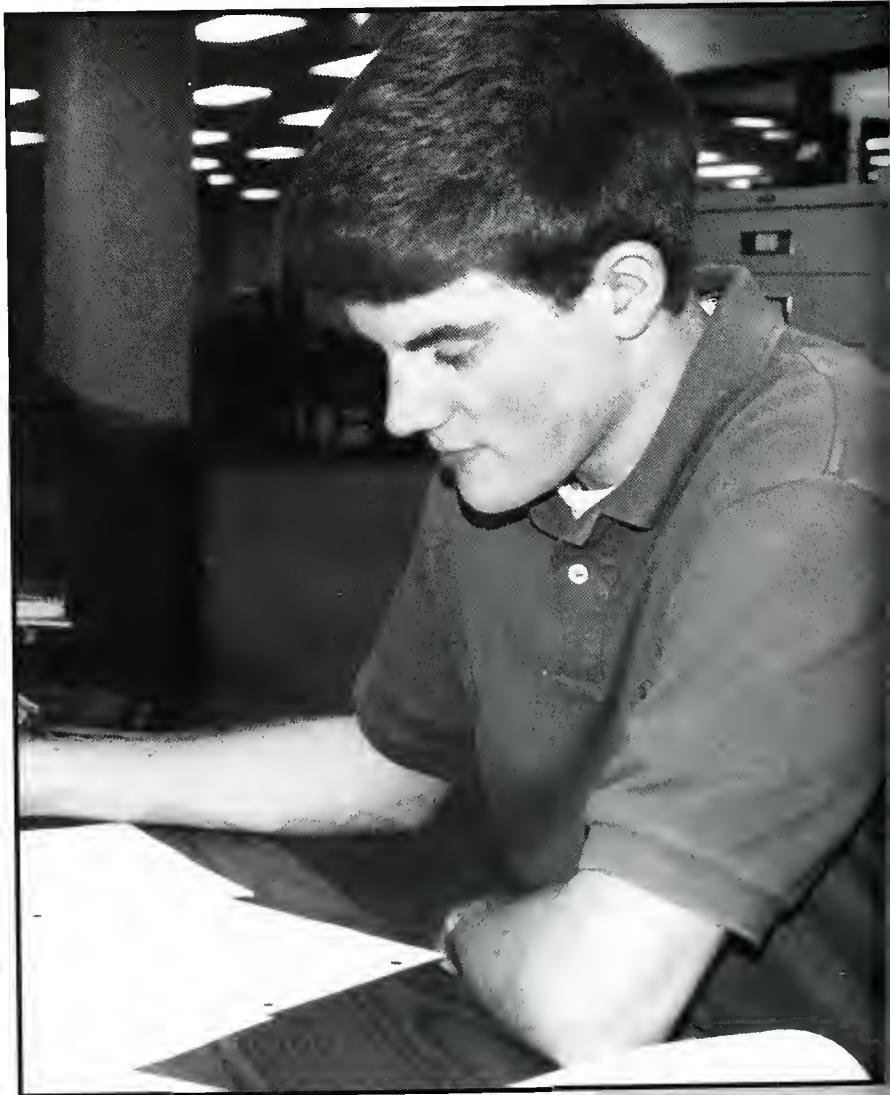
**Interdisciplinary thinking** – to integrate the breadth of one's learning

**Disciplinary depth** – to gain competence in business administration, accounting, or economics

**Technology** – to gain experience in the use of relevant technology



Business students take notes during an economics lecture in Harbert.

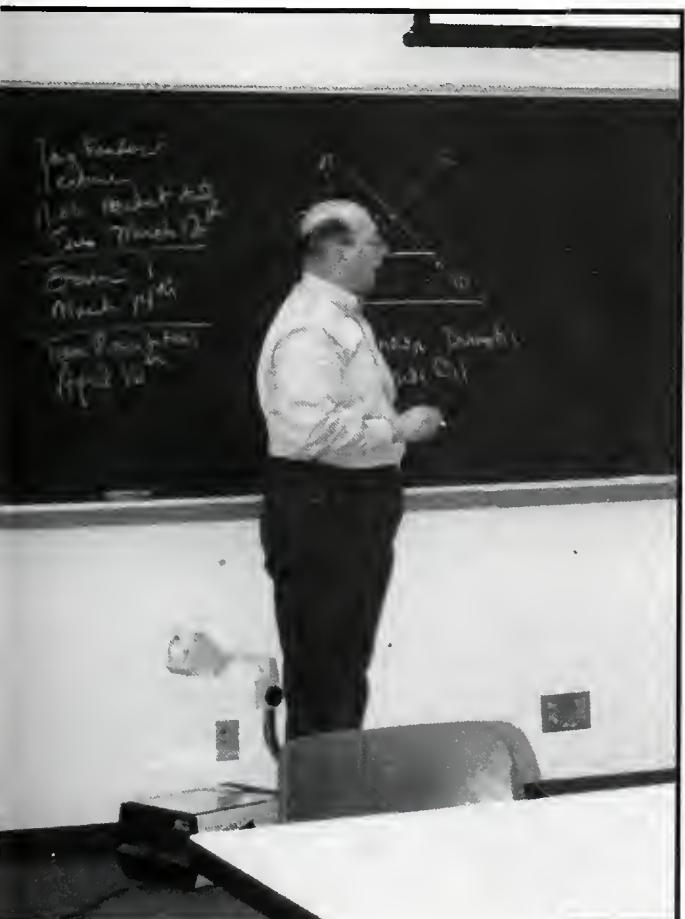
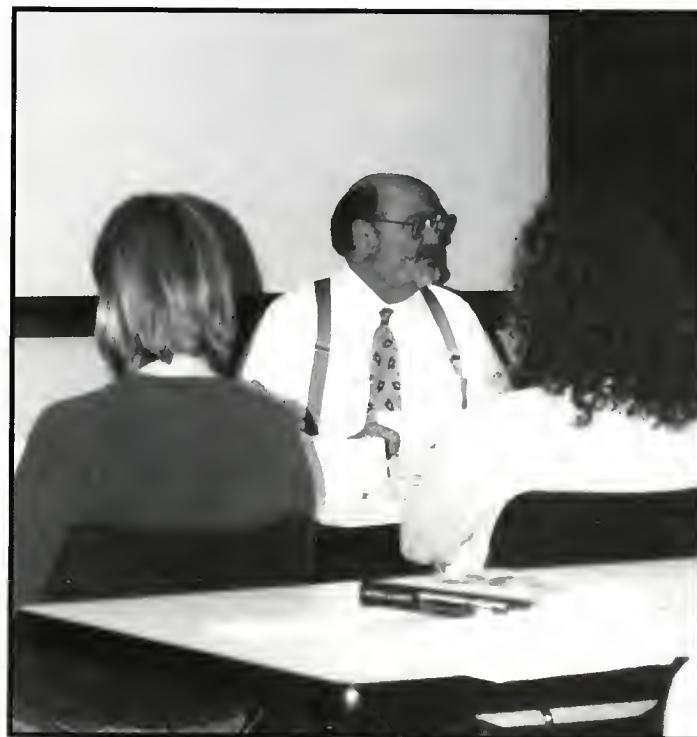


Sophomore Brent Pritchard works diligent on his economics homework in the library



Pop-tent name tags are popular among business and economics professors.

Business and economics professors often approach their classes with relaxed formality.



Dr. Cleveland illustrates an economic principle on the chalkboard.

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Accounting major Adam Neporadny studies for an accounting midterm.

# Foundations Curriculum, I-Y, and Common Hour

This year, drastic changes were made to the curriculum for incoming freshmen. As a part of the new curriculum, freshman were required to take three 1-Y classes which were comprised of only freshmen. While the all freshmen classes were popular among the class of 2005, several freshmen indicated that it made registration more difficult than it already was. Another addition to the requirements for graduation that started with this year's freshmen class was the mandatory attendance of forty cultural events during their four years of college. In addition to events traditionally viewed as cultural, many of the Common Hour lectures and guest speakers also counted as cultural events.

## 1-Y Classes Offered

Infomania

Close Encounters of the Art Kind  
Politics, Media, and Political Culture  
Computers and the Mind's Eye

Lies and Statistics

Monsters, Monarchs, and  
Monastics

## Common Hour Events

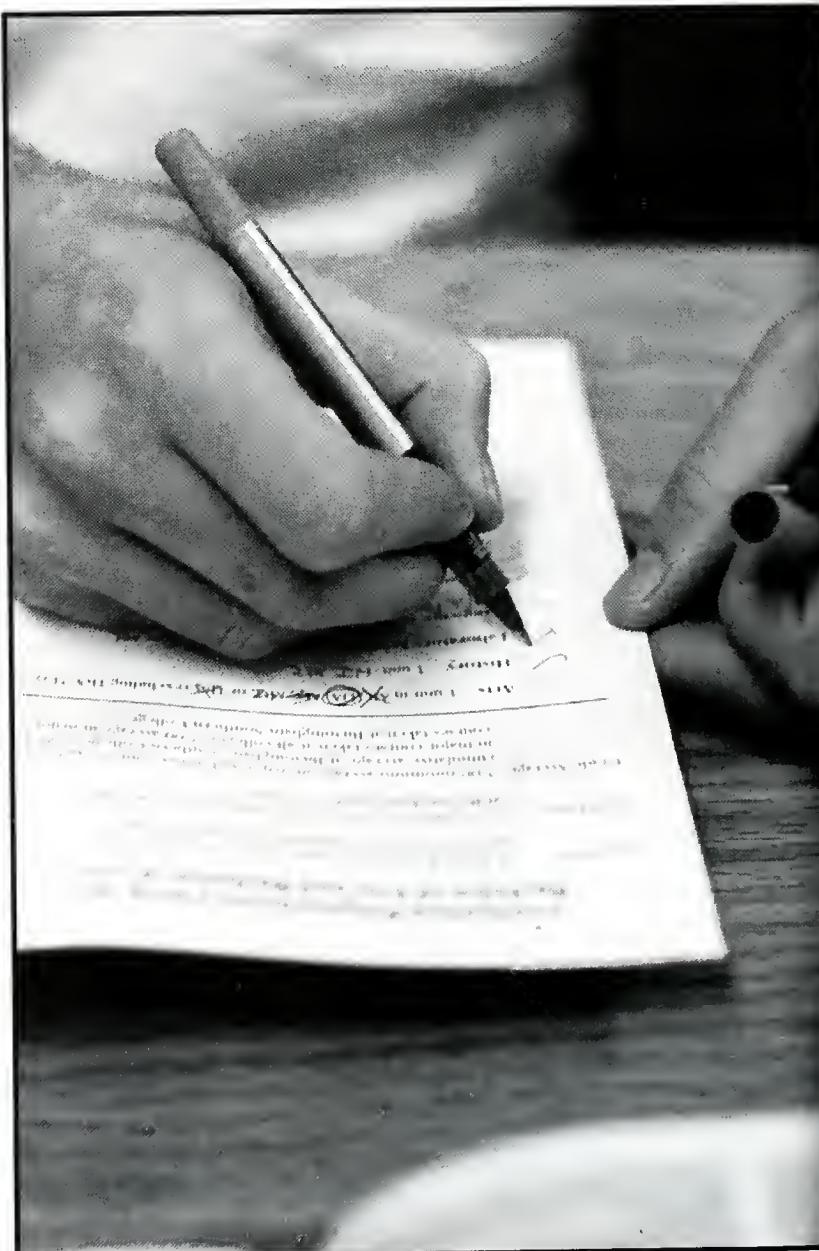
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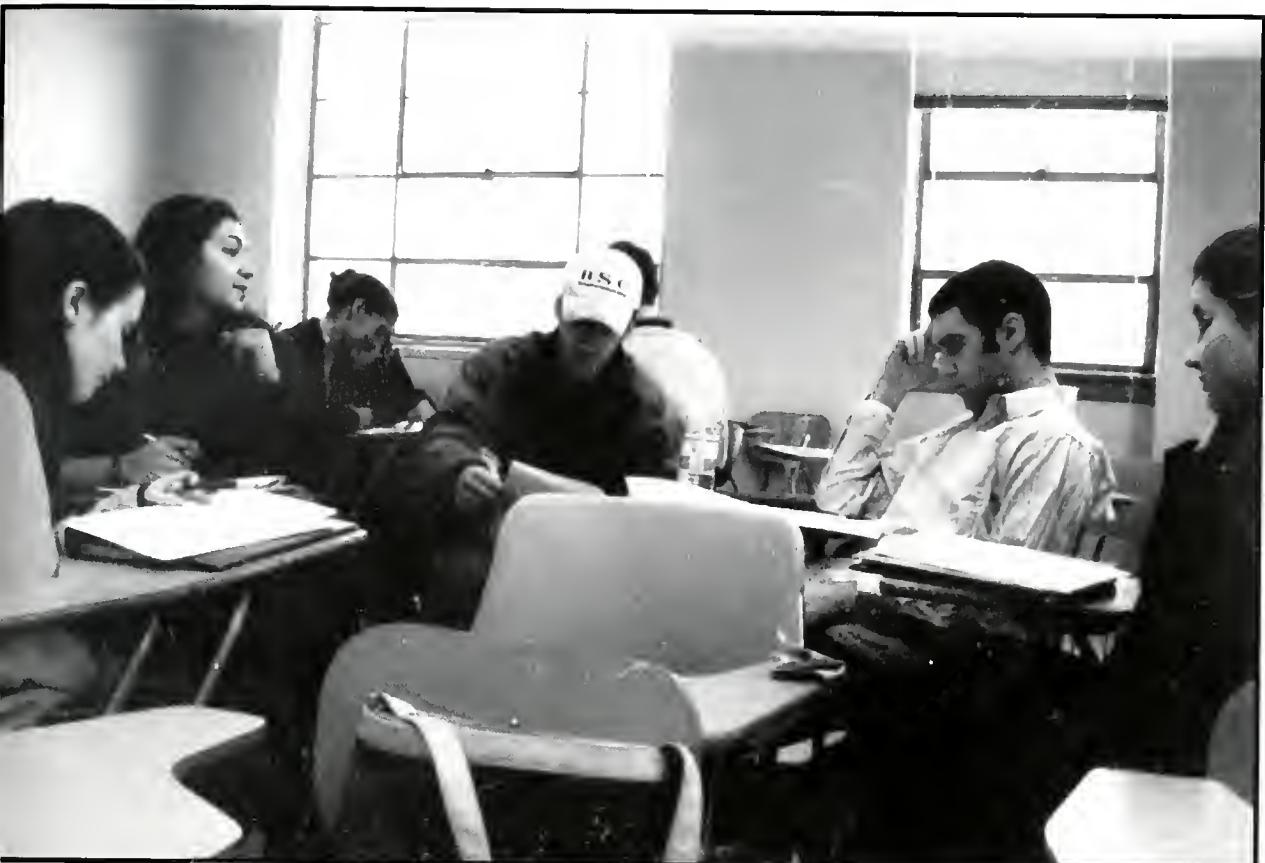
Dr. Stephen Peck—energy economist

"The California Energy Crisis: a  
Public Policy Disaster"

Matthew Mielke "Visions of Middle  
Earth:  
The Artistic Interpretations of the  
Works of J.R.R. Tolkien"

The process of registration  
becomes harder for  
the freshmen class.





Students are busy workshoping each others' writing in an all freshmen 1-Y English course.



The poster features a large banner at the top with the text "Welcome To EATING DISORDER AWARENESS WEEK". Below the banner, the slogan "It's What's Inside That Counts" is written in a smaller font. At the bottom of the poster, there is information about "THE GREAT JEANS GIVEAWAY" and "AN EVENT TO CELEBRATE EATING DISORDERS AWARENESS WEEK" taking place from February 24 - March 1, 2002. The poster also includes the text "Every Month" and "The Great Jeans Giveaway".

Common Hour events often coincide with awareness campaigns. During "Eating Disorders Week", Miss BSC, Rachel Haynes, put together several presentations to raise awareness about eating disorders.

# Finals, Stress, and Studying

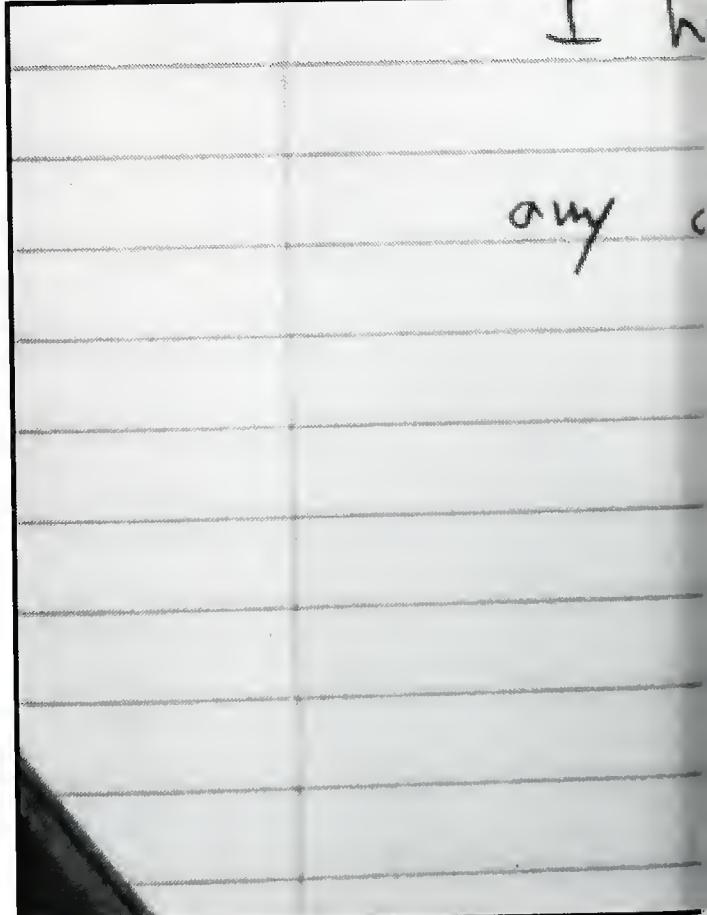
Final semester exams always caused anxiety for students. Many students studied long hours to review an entire semester's worth of material, while others used their Reading Days to relax, believing that relaxing would help them to achieve the best final grade. In many classes, the final exam comprised a large percentage of the final grade for the class. Thus, students were pressured to perform well on exams in order to keep their grades up and/or pull their grade up. In preparation for exams, many students had study groups. Many found studying with their peers a successful way to cover the material. However, others preferred to study in solitude, confining themselves to a cubicle in the library or their dorm room. Students also found themselves needing a break from studying at times. During study breaks, students chatted with their friends, went out to dinner, played video games, and much more. Regardless of the method, students found a way to make it through the stressful final days of the semester.



Once exams are finished and classes complete, students still find useful ways to use their textbooks.

Joseph Ransom takes a study break in his room in Hanson to play a video game during Reading Days.

The Honor Code is taken very seriously on campus, particularly during final exams.





The Cellar provides students with the jolt of caffeine needed to keep them awake late into the night as they study.

During exams, students tend to focus only on their work, ignoring the organization of their personal living space.

Andrew Chason enjoys privacy in the Olin computer lab late at night as he finishes a paper. As the semester neared an end, students could be found in the labs at all hours of the night working hard to finish assignments.



whether given or received  
on this exam.

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Students participating in the San Francisco Service Learning Interim pause for a moment to admire the historic Golden Gate Bridge.

While in Chile, South America, students find time to admire the beautiful terrain in between projects.



### Fun Interim Class Titles

Athleticism in  
Ancient Greece and Rome:  
Life as Struggle and Struggle as Life

Alabama: The Good, The Bad,  
and The Ugly

Alternative Rock for English Geeks

Bread: Science, Symbol, Sustenance

Marilyn Monroe: From Image  
to Icon to Myth

Arriving at their first port of call, the sailing group looks forward to taking a break from the *Harvey Gamage* and exploring on land.



# Interim: Friendships, Studies, & Service



Interim provided students with the unique opportunity to pursue one topic or subject that they would not otherwise have the chance to study during the regular semester. As in every year, students were presented with an array of fun Interim options. Students had the choice to stay on campus and take a class, participate in a Service Learning project, travel abroad, or contract their own Interim. From baking bread, to sailing a tall ship in the Caribbean, Interim provided a fun time for new friendships and concentrated learning.

While bonding on a 14-mile hike in Dominica, Amanda Latifi, Caroline Brady, and Cristin Gavin become physically exhausted and caked with mud.

Giving their time and energy to a local cause, some students spent Interim in Woodlawn.



# Honor Societies

Every year students are recognized for their academic excellence by being inducted into academic honor societies. Several of the honoraries on campus follow.

Alpha Epsilon Delta  
Alpha Lambda Delta  
Alpha Sigma Lambda  
Beta Beta Beta  
Delta Mu Delta  
Epsilon Sigma Chi  
Eta Sigma Phi  
Kappa Delta Epsilon  
Kappa Mu Epsilon  
Mortar Board  
Omicron Delta Kappa  
Order of Omega  
Phi Alpha Theta  
Phi Beta Kappa  
Phi Eta Sigma  
Phi Sigma Iota  
Pi Kappa Lambda  
Pi Tau Chi  
Psi Chi



The Alpha Lambda Delta initiation took place on Honors Day.

Jane Mayer and Chandler Krison examine their initiation pins.





# Phi Beta Kappa

Seniors are elected to Phi Beta Kappa based upon scholarly attainment in a broad area of study. No more than ten percent of a graduating class can be elected. Seniors selected for the year were as follows.

Kimberly Marie Andrews  
Winston McCain Ashurst  
Sarah Beth Coffey  
Emilie Omer Denmark  
Matthew Lewis Downs  
Susan Dotson Duong  
Shannon Joy Fields  
Wai Chin Foo  
Evan Douglas Garner  
Molly Michelle Gibson  
Ashley Elizabeth Grier  
Mary Elizabeth Helms  
Joshua Wayne Houston  
Allison Dozier Lee  
Sarah Cullen Marshall  
Marta Lyn McLellan  
William Jarrell Moore  
Jarod Ross Motley  
Michael Lauren Murphy  
Kyle Dustin Neal  
Ryan F. Neil  
Allison Anne Norris  
Deepak A. Palakshappa  
Matthew T. Parrish  
Jonathan David Prince  
Heather Lee Rushing  
Manu Sancheti  
Joy Jeannette Screws  
Morgan Wentworth Thompson  
William Bryant Walker  
John Reed Williams  
Mladen Zekic

Preparing for the ceremony, Evan Milligan lights candles before initiating new members.



# Absolute

*Arete* is a Greek word that is synonymous with excellence, both in behavior and as a way of life. No other word more accurately described the student organizations. These groups made a difference both on and off-campus by providing their service, leadership, creativity, time, and energy. Through the efforts of clubs like Circle K and the BSC Conservancy, children have been tutored, gardens have been harvested, and students have gained a new perspective: the importance of helping someone outside of oneself. In their every action, these organizations strived for and lived up to the standards of excellence established by themselves and by their leaders. All of this made student life on the Hilltop absolutely rewarding.



Mortar Board hosts Kids' College for one of its service projects. Members dedicated a Saturday morning to participate in the event that brought many neighborhood children on campus.

# Arete

Representing the students absolutely...

# Student Government Association

SGA

Dr. and Mrs. Berte converse with St. Nick at the SGA Christmas party.



At an SGA organized can drive, three members take some time to smile for the camera with their cans of green and black beans.

An SGA member and a fellow student help themselves to dinner at the SGA Christmas party

An organization of student-elected officers, the SGA was the legislative body of the campus. It was considered one of the most prestigious groups on campus. SGA members acted as representatives of the school and helped ensure equality for the college's many students. The SGA sponsored many activities during the year, such as movie nights, cosmic bowling, and professional massages during exam weeks.



# IVY LEAGUE



## Absolute Guidance ...

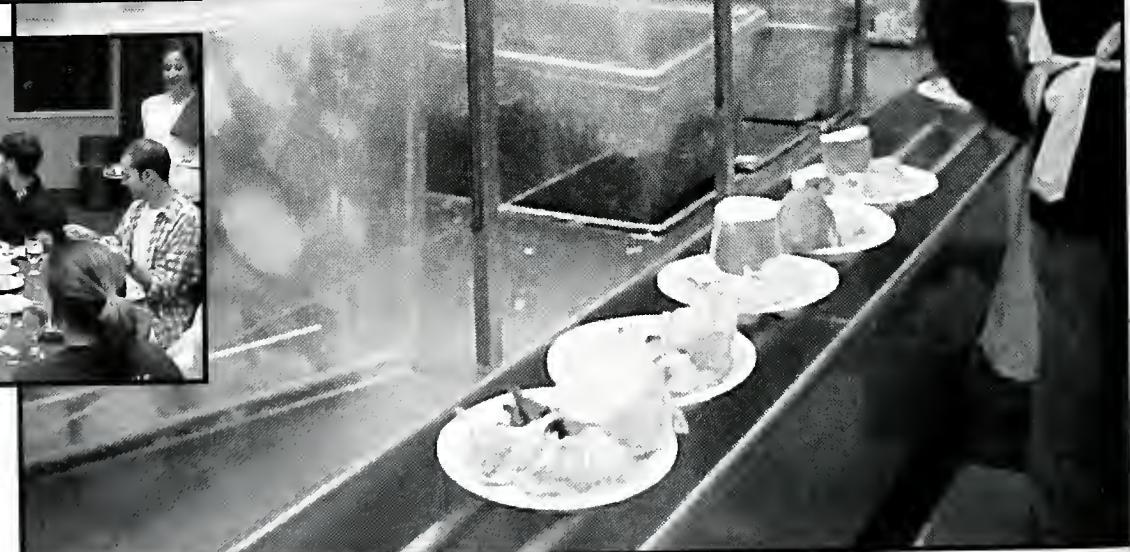
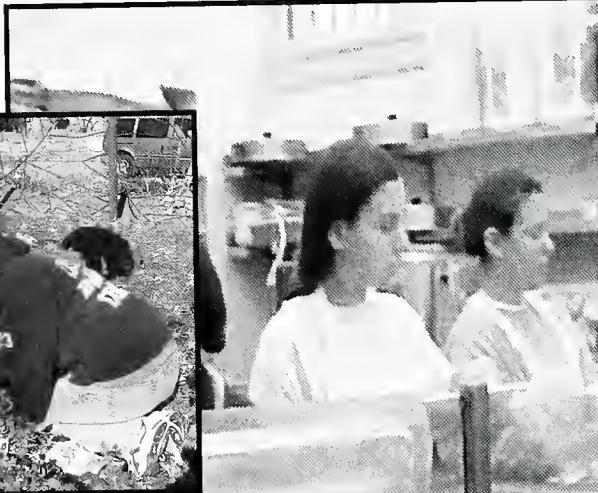
One of the college's most informative and helpful organizations, Ivy League was comprised of students dedicated to helping the school recruit new students. By aiding the Admissions Office and by giving tours of the campus during Honors and Preview Days, Ivy League showed off the best of Southern.

Where service and knowledge absolutely combine...

# SERVICE LEARNING SL

The Service Learning program provided students with the opportunity to make a difference in the community by becoming involved with a number of service-oriented activities. Service Learning sponsored many projects including an Interim trip to San Francisco and Alternative Spring Break in the Appalachian Mountains.

Students help restore a garden at the Woodlawn Ecoscape during Interim.

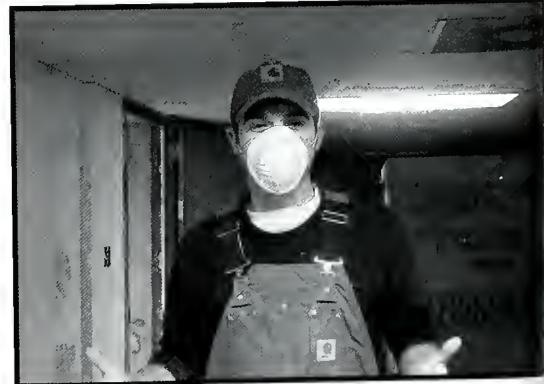


Food and fellowship are offered at the Hunger Banquet.

Members serve dinner at a shelter in San Francisco. Other SL trips went to Woodlawn and Chile.

Students serve plates of hot food at a homeless shelter.

Brent Prichard sports a mask while helping construct a home in Woodlawn.



# RHA



## Absolute Advising

RHA, the Residence Hall Association, worked in conjunction with the Office of Residence Life and the Resident Advisors to make the dorm experience more enjoyable and safe. Students of all ages were able to be a part of the RHA.

Absolute scholarship...

## MORTAR BOARD

**MB**

Matt Downs helps local youth explore the many uses of the telescope during Kids' Kollege.



The current Mortar Board members take a break from service activities to show their more formal side.

After an action-packed match, Sarah Marshall and her volleyball partner pose for a postgame photo.

Mortar Board recognized students for their distinction in academics, leadership, and service. Rising seniors were inducted into Mortar Board the previous spring. Throughout the year, members participated in several service projects before inducting new members in the spring.



# BSC CONSERVANCY



## Absolutely Natural ...

The Conservancy Club functioned as the campus's environmental conscience. Sponsor-  
ing such events as Greenfest, Energy Week, and Earth Week, Conservancy members  
made a difference on campus by promoting recycling, the Ecoscape, and the Environ-  
mental Center.

Absolute community...

# WESLEY FELLOWSHIP WF

Wesley Fellowship, a Methodist group, was open to all students seeking a warm community. The Wesley Fellowship held many on and off-campus events such as UMYF Goes to College and hiking trips.



Franklin Slaton gets a big monkey kiss while with church youth in Gatlinburg.



Franklin Slaton and Libby Yost bravely take a group of UMYF students to Gatlinburg for a weekend of fun.



The Wesley Fellowship holds weekly meetings in the Attic.

# PUBLICATIONS BOARD



## Absolute Press ...

Official advisors of the *Hilltop News*, *Southern Academic Review*, *the Quad*, *the BSC Radio* and *Southern Accent*, the Publications Board set the publication standards on campus. Pictured members Brad Green, Dan Groover, Andrew Barker, Rushton Johnson, Elizabeth McNamar, Amanda Lee, Stephanie Houston, Kim Polkowski, Molly Gibson.

Absolute Diversity...

ISA

# International Students Association

ISA members celebrate diversity with a display of international flags.



Kristen Harper samples delicious mango ice cream from India. Students and faculty alike enjoyed a day of foreign cuisine at the International Food Festival, which included delicacies from Japan, Indonesia, China, France, and Poland.

Mehndi art is just one of the activities offered at the International Food Festival. The ISA sponsors many other activities during the year to foster awareness of different cultures on campus such as outings to the orchestra and hot pot dinners.



# BLACK STUDENT UNION



## Absolute Spirit ...

Sponsoring such events as Soul Food Day and a talent show, the Black Student Union was one of the most spirited groups on campus. The BSU also offered a different cultural perspective of Birmingham by taking students to the Civil Rights Museum for Black History Month.

Absolute technology...

ACM

# Association of Computing Machinery

Comprised of mostly computer science majors and minors, ACM promoted the study and use of computers. Throughout the year, the group sponsored several speakers and participated in programming competitions.



ACM meetings allow students to explore a variety of topics related to computer science that might not be covered in the classroom.

As computer science majors and minors, members spend a lot of time in the computer labs of Olin.



# PSYCHOLOGY/Psi Chi



## Absolute Pavlov ...

The Psychology Club and its honorary, Psi Chi, illustrated how academics could be fun. Organization activities included sitting on red couches, smoking cigars, talking about fathers, ringing bells, and experimenting with lab rats (both the rodent and human varieties).

Absolute Music Man...

## BSC PEP BAND

PB

Several female band members gather together in their Pep Band attire of black polo shirts with the school seal.



After playing their instruments for several hours, band members still find the energy to smile.

Pep Band members entertain the crowd and promote school spirit during a basketball game by playing a variety of songs.

The Pep Band promoted school spirit and energized the crowd at basketball games. With the college's move to NCAA Division I Athletics, the Pep Band stayed busy playing at both men and women's basketball games. Using their musical talents, members kept spectators from becoming bored during media breaks and halftime.



# GOSPEL CHOIR



## Absolute Swing ...

The music tradition on campus has always been extremely strong, particularly when it comes to the Gospel Choir. Many of the school's best singers harmonized beautifully in the various concerts they held throughout the year, giving new life to songs like "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot."

# INDIAN CULTURAL ASSOCIATION



## Absolute Culture ...

ICA, the Hilltop's newest organization, was created to promote the exchange of the Indian culture with the campus community. ICA also promoted community among the campus's Indian population and provided cultural and social events for the campus and the Greater Birmingham area.



## Southern Academic Review

### Absolute Editing

The *Southern Academic Review* featured essays written by students and faculty alike. Members of the staff had the difficult job of soliciting works and deciding which pieces to include in the publication. Editor-in-Chief: Dan Groover; Copy Editor: Erin Robbins

# Triangle Club



## Absolute Triadism ...

The Triangle Club served the school in a three-fold manner by providing informational tours to prospective students, helping with Preview Days, and assisting incoming freshmen with the adjustment to college life during Orientation. The strength of the club came from its triad of absolute service just as the strength of a triangle is attributed to its three sides.

# Honor Council



## Absolute Integrity ...

The Honor Council was a group of seventeen students selected by the SGA to uphold the Honor Code to which all students were bound. The Council investigated and tried cases of lying, cheating, and stealing. Through the dedicated work of its members, the Honor Council maintained a set of high standards on campus.

# Circle K



## Absolute Renewal ...

The circle, the symbol of renewal, was an appropriate namesake of the Circle K service organization. Circle K helped revive the community through volunteering at Woodlawn, Success Story, among other places. Members even worked for an AIDS Alabama Care Team downtown.

Listed below are the names of some of the other student organizations making an absolute difference on campus but who unfortunately are not pictured.

# Absolute Student Involvement



**Quad  
BSC Radio  
Compass  
Hilltop News  
Southern Accent  
BSC Martial Arts Club  
Interfraternity Council  
Panhellenic Council  
Students Offering Support (SOS)  
Intervarsity Christian Fellowship  
Muslim Student Association  
President's Student Service Organization (PSSO)  
ALLIES  
Quest II  
Jazz Band  
Concert Choir  
Hilltop Singers  
Southern Chorale  
Philosophy Club**



# Absolute

*"Flatter me, and I may not believe you.*

*Criticize me, and I may not like you. Ignore  
me, and I may not forgive you. Encourage  
me, and I may give you an encore."*

*Anonymous*

From the extrodinary, large-scale produc-  
tions of the theater company to the simplicity  
of an individual performance, students  
amazed professors, won over critics, and  
brought sold-out audiences to their feet in a  
year of fine and performing arts that no one  
will soon forget. Among the many exciting  
fine and performing art events this year was  
the November 14th world premeire of faculty  
member Alan Litsey's , *Marian Faustus, Ph.D.*  
The wide range of productions, perfor-  
mances, and gallery displays highlighted the  
broad and spertacular talents of student  
performers and artists.

Greta DiGiorgio practices  
the piano in preparation  
for her upcoming lesson.  
Students spent countless  
hours working and re-  
hearsing for the few mo-  
ments they had before  
an audience.

# Talent



The non-traditional Rosencrantz and Guildenstern, played by Casie Platt and Lauren Cantrell, are hired to spy on Hamlet by King Cladius.

Ophelia, played by Helen Gassenheimer, is forbidden to act on the love Hamlet shows for her. Ultimately, she betrays him.

The entire cast performs a musical number in circus costume.



## The Cast

Hamlet  
Gertrude  
Claudius  
Laertes  
Ophelia  
Polonius/Horatio  
Resencrantz/Bernardo  
Cuidenstern/Marcellus  
Ghost/Osric  
Drummer/Gravedigger

Kevin Faraci  
Sarah Beth Tanner  
John Newman  
Chandler Krison  
Helen Gassenheimer  
Nat Gunter  
Casie Platt  
Lauren Cantrell  
Jonathan Poole  
Maury Levine

# HAMLET... THE MUSICAL

In a production that was outstanding, mesmerizing, and at times even shocking, the theater company performed one of Shakespeare's "master works of dramatic literature," as a musical.



Michael Flowers, director, wrote, "We have chosen to set our production in a place where the type of things that happen in the play, namely murder, infidelity, deceitfulness and lust, to mention a few, might, could, and do happen. Ours is a world where a brother could sleep with his King's wife, murder the king, and make the queen his own. This world is one where friends become enemies for a price, where ghosts speak of revenge, and where the tortured title character loses his soul and is finally able to grab the brass ring, but at the ultimate price. Oh, and by the way, they also sing and play in the band." As was their wish, *Hamlet... The Musical* took the crowd by surprise, unraveled its expectations, left it entertained, bemused, and a little baffled.



Nat Gunter as Horatio, Casie Plat as Bernardo, and Lauren Cantrell as Marcellus visit to discuss important matters with the title character Hamlet, played by Kevin Faraci.

The cast and crew join together.

Edwin McCready, played by Ross Beshear, comes back to life to aid Marian in her writing of her book about his life.

Ramona, played by Katie Holmes, presents Marian with a present from the tenure committee.

Marian listens intently to her student Cornelius who was portrayed by Taylor Moore.

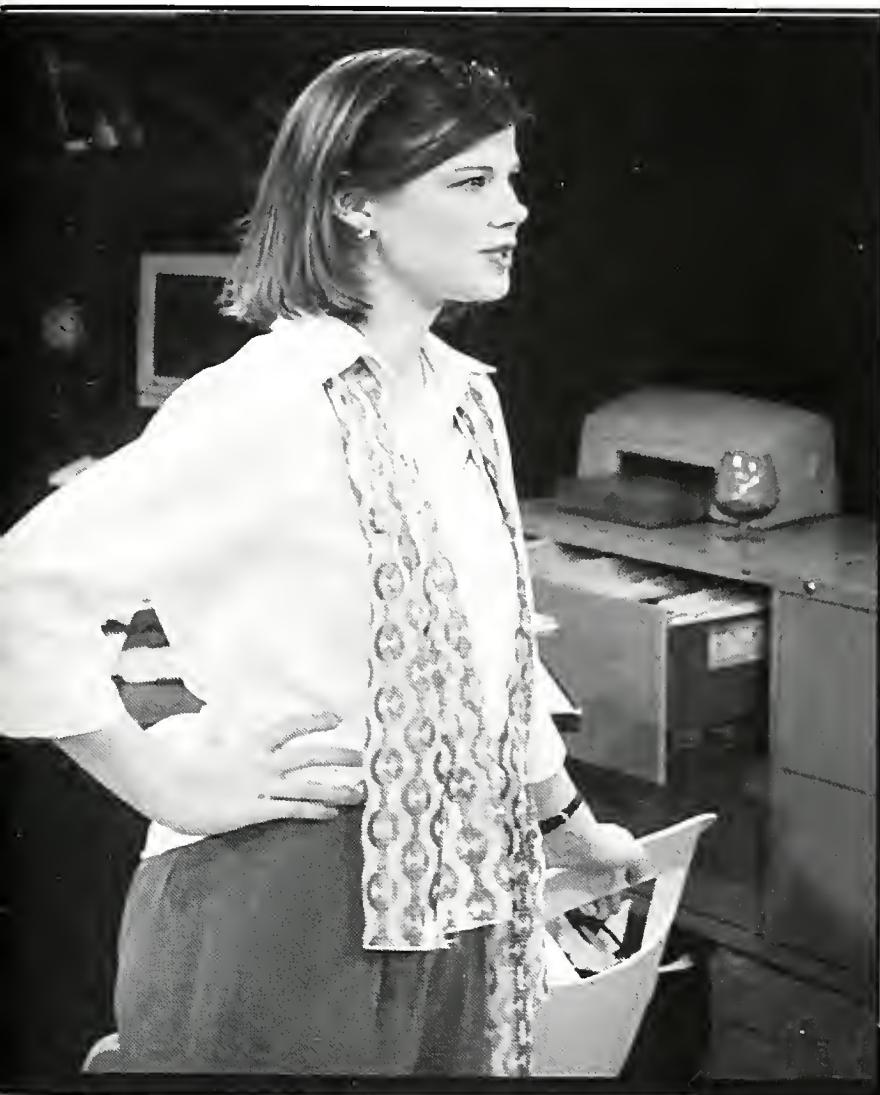


### Cast

Marian Faustus....Seana McGaha  
Cornelius.....Taylor Moore  
Iris Lyons.....Becky Crunk  
Ramona.....Katie Holmes  
Winston Peach....Tyler Armstrong  
Dean Whittier.....Scott McClellan  
Edwin McCready....Ross Beshear



# Marian Faustus, Ph.D.



**M**arian Faustus Ph.D., held its world premiere November 4, 2001 at 7:30 in Theatre One. *Marian Faustus, Ph.D.* was written and directed by faculty member, Alan Litsey. Becky Crunk (Iris) commented about the production by stating, "It was an honor to be a part of it. Alan did a phenomenal job. The play is an amazing piece of work that I hope others will get to perform." Senior Theatre major, Seana McGaha (title role) said, "It was a personal honor to play Marian because Alan has been my mentor and professor for three and a half years. It was an incredible experience to originate a role he created." The comedic show entertained audiences at five sold out performances.

Seana McGaha performs the role of Marian Faustus in the production.



Marian appears puzzled by a note that she is handed. Marian interregmates her co-worker Iris.

# Interim Theater Production: *Amadeus*





## CAST

The "Venticelli"	Danielle Hardaman
Salieri's Valet	Casie Platt
Salieri's Cook	Scott McClellan
Antonio Salieri	Franklin Slaton
Joseph II, Emporer of Austria	Alan Litsey
Johann Kilian von Strack	Kevin Faraci
Count Orsini-Rosenberg	Chandler Krison
Baron Van Swieten	Taylor Moore
Priest	Daniel Seigel
Guiseppe Bonno	Josh Andrews
Teresa Salieri	Alex Scokel
Katherina Cavalieri	Becky Crunk
Constanze Weber	Amanda Bacon
Wolgang Amadeus Motzart	Seana McGaha
Major-Domo	Ross Beshear
	Jonathan Poole



## CAST

Citizens of Vienna:

*Josh Andrews, Amanda Bacon, Becky Crunk, Scott McClellan, Jonathan Poole, Alex Scokel, and Franklin Slaton*

Attendants:

*Meg Hyneman, Katie Holmes, Paige McDonnell, and Elizabeth Vawter*

Directed by *Michael Flowers*

\*Photos from slides provided by Theater Department

# *La Boheme*

**S**tarving artists, candles, sickness, death, and the triumph of the human spirit--all the stuff that makes life worth living and makes for great theatre. *La Boheme* was an opera by Puccini sung in Italian by an all-student cast. The show opened May 3rd at 7:30 PM on the mainstage of the BSC theater to a sold out audience and was performed a second and final time May 5th at 2:30 PM to another sold out audience. The student performers were accompanied by a 25 piece professional orchestra. The show was directed by Mildred Allen and the orchestra was conducted by Lester Seigel.

## Principle Characters

Marcello.....	Daniel Seigel
Rodolfo.....	James Seay
Colline.....	Nathanel Gunter
Schaunard.....	Thomas McDowell
Benoit.....	Christopher Friedman
Mimi.....	Nicole Duncan
Parpignol.....	Kevin Faraci
Alcindoro.....	Christopher Friedman
Musetta.....	Robin Lee Mozer

Robin Lee Mozer portrays the role of Musetta.

**Ensemble Cast:** Walker Hayes, Lucas Pepke, Andrew Ryan, Greta DiGiorgio, Charla Griffin, Katie Hall, Dana McArthur, Katie Sims, Elizabeth Vawter, Claudia Adams, Rebecca Harris, Jane Mayer, Paige McDonnell, Kate Yarbrough, Raley Wiggins, John Baxter, Matthew Caine, Evan Garner, Katie Hall, Colin Alexander, Kristin Anderson, Andielle Hardaman, Casie Platt, Taylor Moore, Virginia Barr





The characters acted by Thomas McDowell, Nat Gunter, James Seay, Nicole Duncan, Daniel Seigel, and Robin Lee Mozer argue over a dinner bill.

One of the scenes from Act II features Christopher Friedman as Alcindoro.

James Seay as Rodolfo and Nicole Duncan as Mimi embrace one another.



In Act IV, the cast sadly portrays Mimi's death.

The cast celebrates Christmas Eve at Cafe Momus in Act II.



# The Matrix

The Black Student Union performed their rendition of The Matrix in the spring, combining traditional step routines and special visual effects with the story of The Matrix. The show was coordinated and directed by Rushton Johnson, the BSU's advisor. The show was performed in Munger Auditorium twice for the student body and once for the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and Success Story children that many BSC students worked with during the week. The script, based off the script of the movie, was re-written to explore the issues of racism and diversity. Although not a BSC Theater Department Production, The Matrix was a huge success.

Several of the step team members pose for a promotional photo to promote interest in the show.

Kristian Collins, portraying the role of Trinity, joins Kit Cecil as Neo in the show.





Members of the step team work hard to keep their moves together. Among the members of the step team were Stephanie Houston, Tiffany Newborn, Rushton Johnson, Toni Newborn, Janice Johnson, Myron Brown, Katie McDowell, and Evan Milligan.



Candice Johnson and Tiffany Newborn show a little attitude in the performance.

Production Assistants and Crew:  
Shema Mbyirukira, Becky Crunk,  
Marta McLellan, Melissa Brown,  
and Derek Arnold

Kayce Williams, Barbara Pusey, Bonnie Wootan, and Rebecaa Perry dance to "A Celebration of Summer" choreographed by Charity Schumate. *Information contributed by the Dance Department.*



April McCarley, Bonnie Wootan, Katie Dornberger, Valerie Lemmons, Katie McDowell, Charity Schumate, and Kristen Heath (front) dance to "For Your Eyes" choreographed by Valerie Lemmons.

Audrey Cook, Jennifer Hughes, Rebecca Morris, Barbara Pusey, and Heather Denosky dance to "Equinox" choreographed by Bethany Butts.



# Student Choreography Workshop

Jennifer Hughes, Rachel Haynes, and April McCarley dance to "Rosa de la Noche" choreographed by Audrey Cook.

The Dance Program serves students who wish to study dance as a major subject and those who wish to study dance as an elective part of their liberal arts education. Classes in dance include all levels of ballet technique, classical ballet repertoire, jazz dance, mod-

ern dance, dance performance, dance history, pedagogy, and choreography. The Student Choreography Workshop is a unique opportunity for students to learn all aspects of dance production, including music selection, costuming, lighting, and choreography.



Charity Schumate, Bethany Butts, Elizabeth Rebecca Morris, Jennifer Hendrix, Perry, Heather and Megan Denosky, Patterson dance to "Six" choreographed by Allison Carr Irvin.

# Behind the Scenes Snapshots

Snapshots from  
Concert Choir/Hill-  
top Singers,  
*Amadeus*, and *La  
Boheme*.





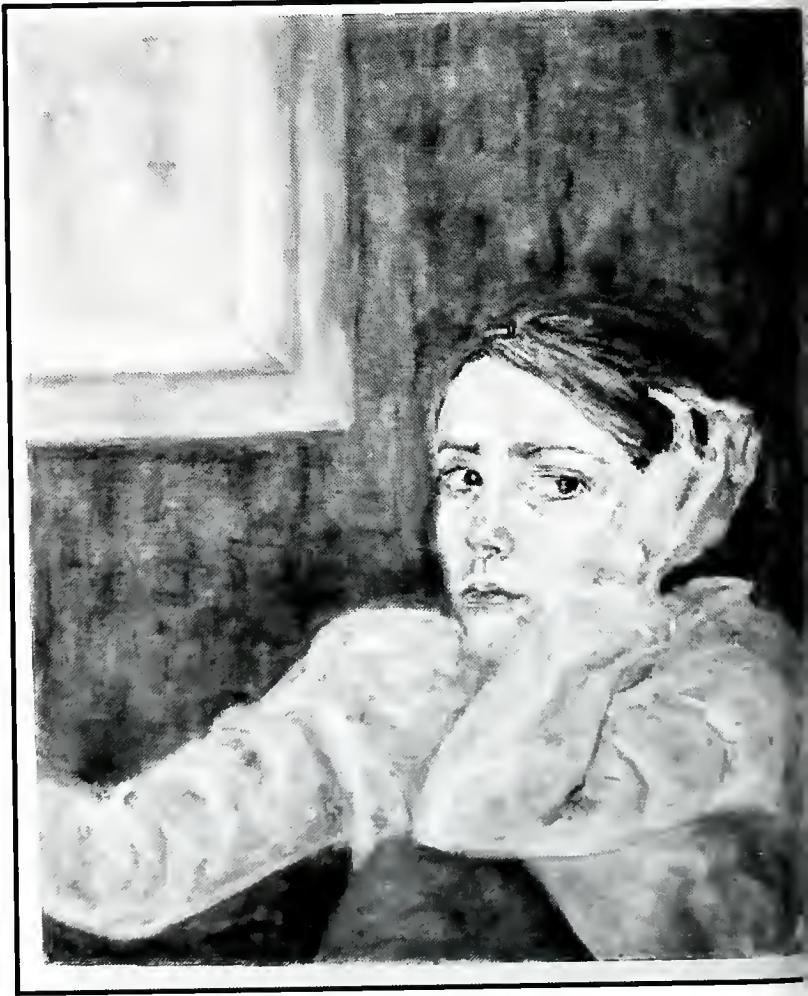
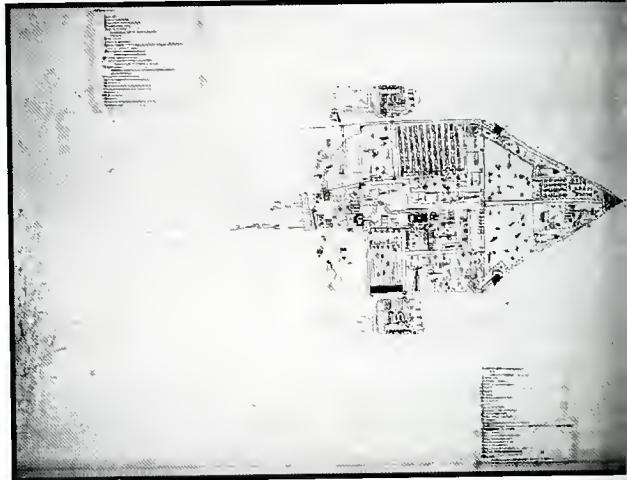
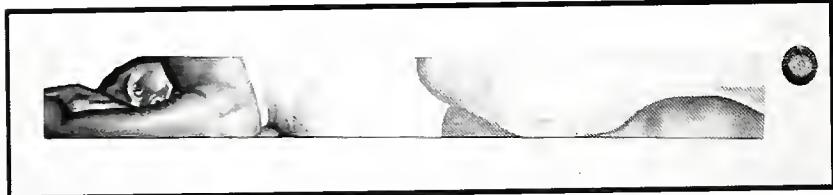
Snapshots from *La Boheme*, Spring Dance Performance, *Hamlet* and *The Matrix*.

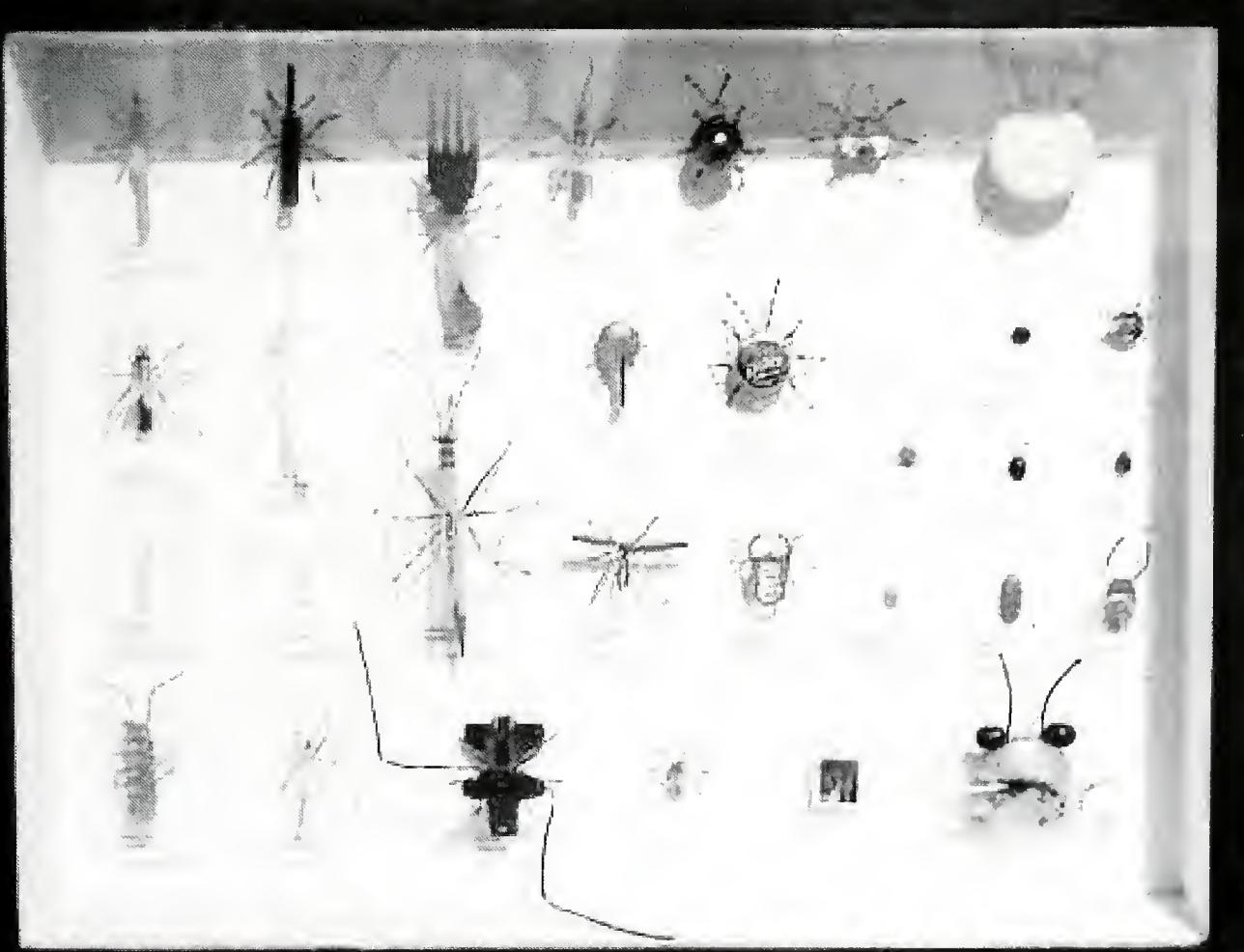


# Juried Student Art Competition

**Left Page:** Appearing clockwise are "Nude- A View" by Katie Deason, "Prototype" by Trae Watson, "Self Portrait" by Yekaterina Meykson (Art Department Purchase Award), and "Dave" by Sarah Roberts.

**Right Page:** "The Old Realtor" by Amanda Hutton Stanton (*top left*), "Man of Steel" by Carolyn Roberts (*top right*), "Bugs" by Sarah Roberts (Best of Show) were among many pieces featured in the show.





**Miss Birmingham-Southern 2002  
Results:**

Rachel Blythe Haynes  
*Miss Birmingham Southern*

Sunday Vandever

*1<sup>st</sup> Runner-Up*

Kathryn Stewart Stokes

*Second Runner-Up*

Michelle Downing

*Third Runner-Up*

Jamie Box

*Fourth Runner-Up*

Stewart Stokes, Rachel Haynes, and Sunday Vandever stand center stage.

Former Miss BSC Jennifer Bashaw joins with the newly crowned Miss BSC.

Dr. Berte and Rachel Haynes join together for photos following the event.



# Miss BSC 2002



Rachel Bythe Haynes, a sophomore dance major, was crowned Miss BSC 2002 Saturday night, December 1, in the BSC Theatre. Haynes performed ballet en pointe to "Esmeralda" to win the talent competition. Her platform was "Dying to be Thin," which helped educate the public about eating disorders. Rachel says her activism was inspired by her own life threatening battle with Anorexia and Bulimia. Rachel demonstrated poise, confidence and sincerity during her personal interview with pageant host Resha Riggins Miles, Miss Alabama 1990 and winner of the 1991 Miss America Interview Award.

Sunday Vanderver, a junior political science major from Remlap, was first runner-up to Miss BSC 2002. The other runner-ups included Kathryn Stewart Stokes, a freshman pre-medicine major from Huntsville, second runner-up; Michelle Downing, a sophomore computer science major from Dothan, third runner-up; and Jamie Box, a junior biology-psychology major from Winfield, fourth runner-up.

The Miss BSC Pageant is an official preliminary competition for the Miss Alabama Pageant scheduled for next June. Haynes will compete to become the 22nd Miss BSC since 1938 to also be crowned Miss Alabama. -Article by BSC Public Relations



Mrs. Berte congratulates the newly crowned Miss BSC Rachel Haynes.

# Hilltop Singers





The female members of the Hilltop singers were Rebecca Harris, Lauren Cantrell, Kristin Anderson, Nicole Duncan, Charla Griffin, and Danielle Hardaman.



Thomas McDowell, James Seay, Nat Gunter, Joshua South, Kevin Faraci, and Daniel Seigel provided the male voices for the group.

The group was directed by Lester Seigel.



# Concert Choir

## Soprano

Kristin Anderson  
Hellen Gassenheimer  
Teresa Locke Godbey  
Charla Griffin  
Danielle Hardaman  
Madeline Krontiras  
Dana McArthur  
Seana McGaha  
Robin Lee Mozer  
Elizabeth Parks  
Kate Yarbrough

## Alto

Lauren Cantrell  
Nicole Duncan  
Ann Giambrone  
Sara Hagood  
Rebecca Harris  
Emily LaBranche  
Sara Beth Tanner  
Jennifer Turner  
Rebecca Von Lehe

## Tenor

Matthew T. Caine  
Kevin Faraci  
Evan Garner  
Taylor Moore  
Lucas Pepke  
Jonathan Poole  
James Seay  
John Spencer

## Bass

John Baxter  
Daniel Bostick  
Nat Gunter  
Walker Hayes  
Jason Kramer  
Thomas McDowell  
Evan Milligan  
John Newman  
Daniel Seigel  
Joshua South



# Southern Chorale

## Soprano

Claudia Adams  
Tracy Allen  
Anne Davis  
Jillian Greer  
Katie Elise Hall  
Hilary Hickey  
Abbott Jones  
Nicole Komara  
Lauren Mayer  
Tiffany Newborn  
Emily Richeson  
Ellen Segrest  
Katie Sims  
Jennifer Smith  
Anne Terry

## Alto

Erin Brown  
Lily-Owen Browning  
Leslie Cheng  
Kari Childress  
Becky Crunk (President)  
Alison Downs  
Elaina Magnuson  
Mary Jacob McKinley  
Mary Elizabeth Neal  
Susan Petty  
Erika Pipkin  
Christina Rumore  
Laura Saliba  
Jennifer Vester

## Tenor

Josh Andrews  
Chris Friedman  
Thomas Martin  
Lucas Pepke  
James H. Seay III

## Bass

Myron Brown  
Joshua Burgess  
Daniel Ferguson  
Matthew Nickerson  
Marvin Pullom II  
Alex Scokel  
John Robert Walker  
Raley Wiggins



# BSC Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band

The Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band filled the campus with music throughout the year. Under the direction of Ronald D. Hooten, the Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band, also known as the Pep Band during basketball season, played at every home basketball game. The group of student musicians met a few times each week during a scheduled class time to practice together. At the end of the year, they performed a final show in Hill Music Hall.



Senior soloist Katie Elizabeth Leonard plays the flute during the final performance.

Director Ronald Hooten welcomes the audience.

The Wind Ensemble plays an upbeat march.



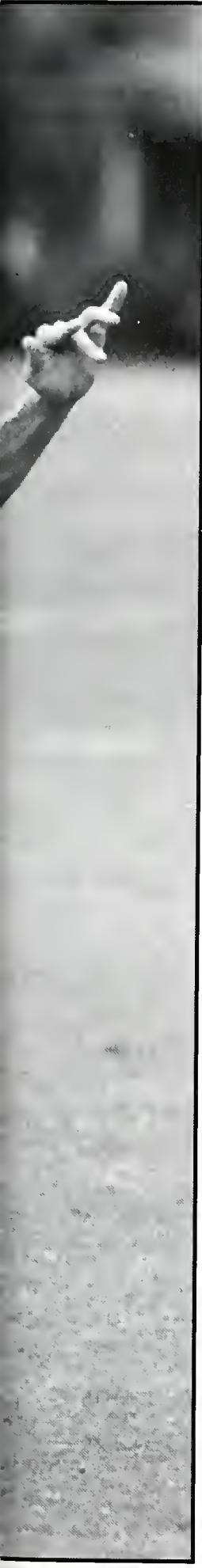


Members of the percussion section of the band play a solo.

The BSC Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band presents its final performance of the season.







# Absolute

With sixteen teams, including Cheerleading and Southern Stars, and over 200 student athletes, sporting events played an integral part at 'Southern. Whether it was watching the Men's Basketball Team dominate at Homecoming or seeing the Rifle Team compete for the first time in history, students could always find ways to support their favorite athletic teams. The school also tried to provide the best competition for its athletes so that the teams would be prepared for the full transition to Division I. Besides just the typical intercollegiate rivalries, opportunities such as the Men's Soccer Team playing the major league Chicago Fire and the Baseball Team playing against the Birmingham Barons gave these student athletes a chance to represent the school and display their skills.

With under four percent body fat and abs that anyone would envy, co-captain of the men's soccer team, Eric Hudgens, is the epitome of athleticism. *Photo provided by Sports Information Office.*

# Athletics

# JUST for KICKS

## Team Dominates New Division

If I had to summarize our season in one word, it would be "successful." Last season, we made a trip to the National Tournament and had a spectacular season, but we came into the season knowing we would not have the chance to compete for a National Championship. With that in mind we had to set different goals for ourselves. Our main goal was to go undefeated in

our new Big South Conference and gain the respect that we deserved. We ended this year's season 8-6-3, but we went 5-0-1 in our conference. I think we accomplished our foremost goal and set the stage for success for the team in the future, especially for the 2003 team who will be able to compete in the NCAA National Tournament. -- *Christie Wehby*

Sophomore defender Paige Janney weaves her way through two Georgia State players as she gets the ball out of pressure. Seeing action in all of the games, Paige gained invaluable experience. Photos provided by the Sports Information Office.



Seniors Melissa Scurlock, Erin Mahoney, Kyra Rowland, Jennifer Walker, Lindsey Stockton, Fanney Kristmannsdotir, and Tally Ewing led their team to another winning season through their leadership and experience on the field.

## Scoreboard

Louisiana-Monroe	.....	1-1
Stephen F. Austin	.....	0-5
Libscomb	.....	7-0
Alabama	.....	0-4
Lindsey Wilson	.....	1-0
Radford	.....	4-1
UAB	.....	3-0
Coastal Carolina	.....	0-0
Charleston Southern	.....	2-0
Alabama A&M	.....	2-0
High Point	.....	2-0
Elon	.....	2-1
Murray State	.....	2-2
UNC Asheville	.....	2-0
Georgia State	.....	1-2
Jacksonville State	.....	0-1
Centenary	.....	0-1



Speed and skill help Jennifer Walker chalk-up three goals and just as many assists during the season.



Concentration and determination combine to make Beth Gruver a lethal foe on the playing field.



The team celebrates an outstanding play. They scored a season total of 26 goals.



Tally Ewing plays a huge role in the team's defense. She recorded 85 saves.

Winning almost every header ball, Eric Hudgens adds strength and dominance both on the ground and in the air.



Through his persistence and hardwork, Jamie Holmes leads the team with ten goals for the season.



The team celebrates after Paul Munro scores a goal with his dangerous left foot.

With six assists, freshman Kenneth Robinson leads the team.



# SHOOTS and SCORES

## Team Fights To The Bitter End



The men's soccer team forged into new territory as it played its first full NCAA Division I schedule. No one--players, staff, nor coaches--looked upon the losing season favorably, but given the difficulty of the first two transition years, the team had to find small victories to build hope. Among the most notable moments of the season were significant away wins against Big South rivals Liberty

and Radford, strong overtime finishes, and a home game won on pure heart against High Point in the fall season's hardest downpour. For the returning players, only the desire to improve and deal retribution to opponents next season could be taken from the season. Players had one more season to play for simple respect and pride before becoming eligible for postseason competition. -- *Chris Frohock*



Joe Bassett catches up to and then slide tackles Florida Atlantic's star player to stop him dead in his tracks. Joe's continuous hard-work made him captain of the team for the second straight year. *Photos provided by the Sports Information Office.*

## Scoreboard

Central Florida .....	1-2
Stetson .....	2-9
Florida Atlantic .....	1-2
Pittsburgh .....	3-2
Charleston Southern .....	4-3
UNC Asheville .....	1-6
Winthrop .....	1-2
Alabama A&M .....	3-4
Georgia Southern .....	2-4
Georgia State .....	1-5
High Point .....	3-2
Belmont .....	3-3
Elon .....	0-2
Lipscomb .....	2-3
Lee .....	2-1
Liberty .....	2-1
Radford .....	2-1
Centenary .....	0-4
Coastal Carolina .....	1-2



The team first meets and starts training with preseason during the hot days at the beginning of August. Such dedication was needed from players and coaches alike to be competitive at the Division I level. *Photos provided by Sports Information.*

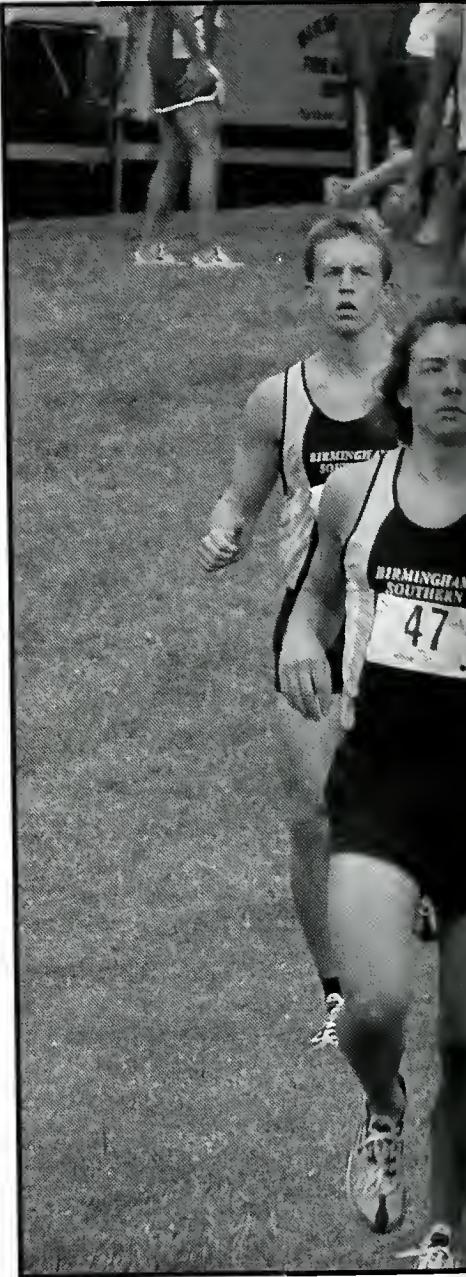
# GOING *the* DISTANCE

## Ahead of the Pack

The cross country teams, coached by Ellisa Bragga, had a much improved year. The guys placed fifth at the conference meet and the girls were six points out of fifth place. With five guys and six girls returning, the team is looking to work hard in the off-season and perform even better next year. "We had some personal bests and some outstanding

performances," Bragga said. "For that to happen in our first competition in several months was a testament to our hard conditioning work in the winter months. The runners keep improving and that's a great sign." Overall, it was a great season and everyone did their best. The team is definitely headed in the right direction. --*Patrick McTarnney*

Hard work, dedication, and a good pair of shoes helped prepare the guys for a grueling season. The team placed fifth at the Pre-District South Invitational. Photos provided by the Sports Information Office.



Julia Cummins, Lindsey Steadman, Kim Andrews, Ashley Brunstedt, Kristin Williamson, Natalie Daniels, Christa Calvert, Leah Condon, Elizabeth Porter.



Pacing the women's squad at the Auburn Cross Country Invitational with a season-best time of 19:10, junior Ashley Brunstedt outworks her opponents in the 5K.



Freshman Daniel Ferguson records a personal best of 27:43 at the Big South Meet, helping the team take fifth.



Elizabeth Porter helps the team place twenty-first at the Auburn Cross Country Invitational.

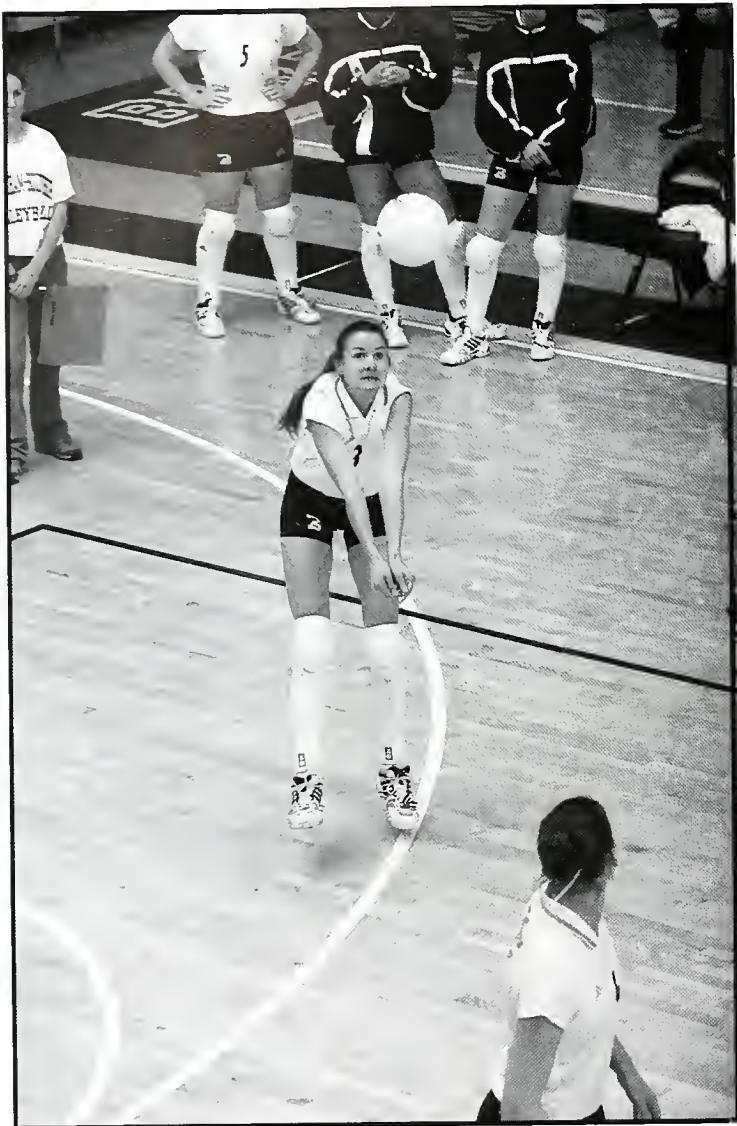


Natalie Daniels finishes twelfth in the 800-meter at the Samford Open Track and Field Meet.

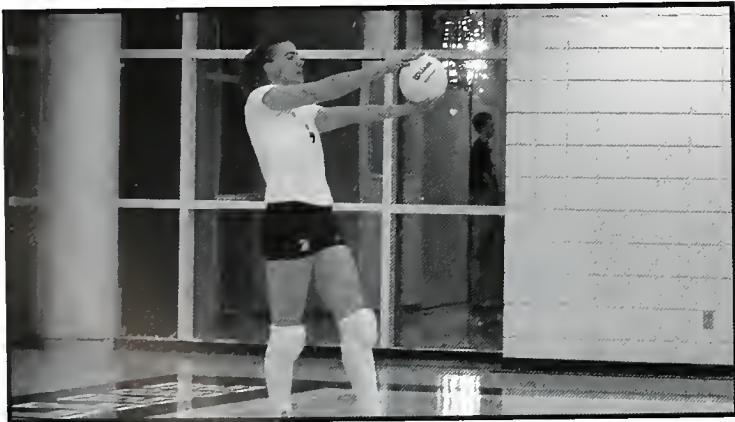
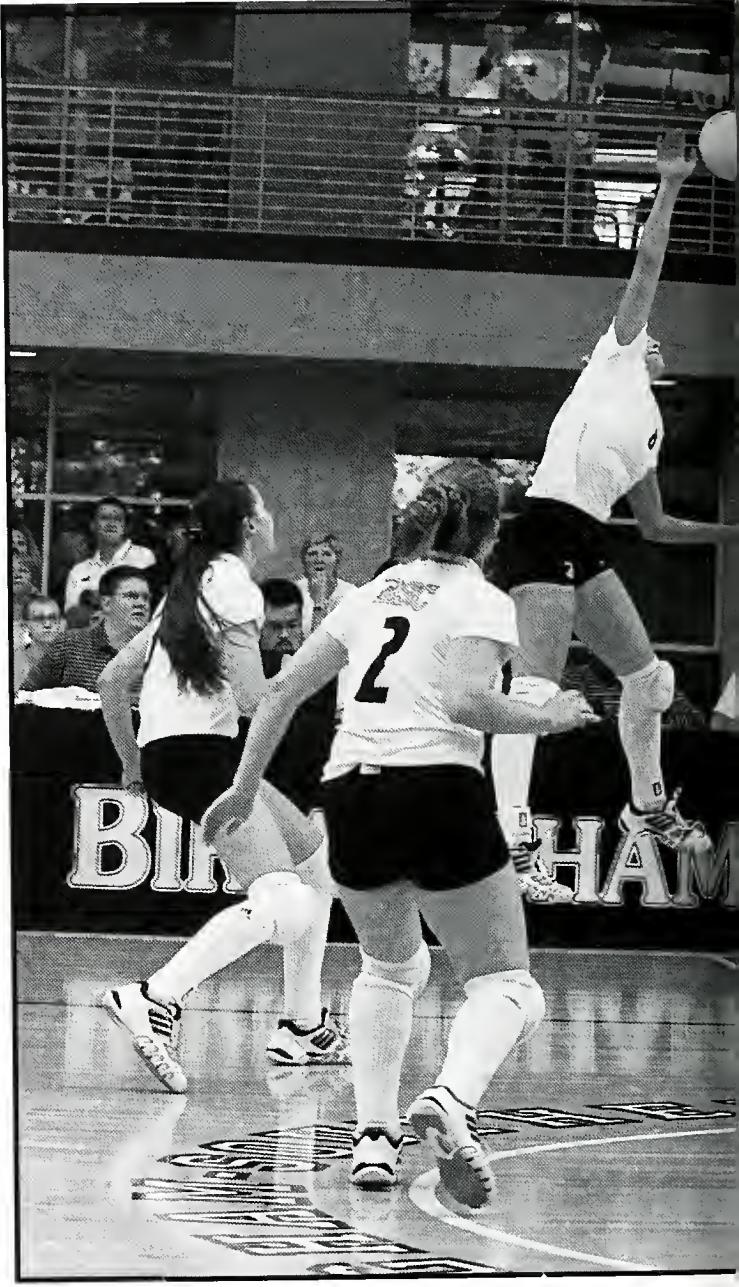


Months of practice pay-off when the team finally starts competing.

Showing perfect form, Miljana Lazarevic starts the offense by bumping the ball to teammate Kyndall Waters.



Dominating the court, Rachel Malmborg leads the team with 409 kills. *Photos provided by Sports Information Office.*



Being a deadly server, Stephanie Harrington records 37 aces for the season.

Blocks by Allie Sumblin and Stephanie Harrington help the Panthers beat Liberty 3-1.





# BUMPset SPIKE

## Young Team Gains Valuable Experience

Tonya Charland entered the season as the new head coach with three freshmen projected as starters. The team ended the season 8-8 against Big South Conference competition. The team finished 12-6 overall.

The season was highlighted by a home win over Liberty University, the team that won the Big South Championship; a win against in-state rival Jacksonville State; a 3-2 come-from-behind victory at Mercer; and league wins over Charleston Southern, Elon University, University of North Carolina Asheville, and High Point University.

Senior Miljana Lazarevic of Belgrade, Serbia became the first BSC player to surpass 1,000 career kills, digs, and assists. Freshman Kyndall Waters became the season record holder for set assists in a match and career leader for sets per game. Freshman Rachel Malmborg set the season record for kills and kills per game, and freshman Stephanie Harrington posted all blocking records for a single season.

As the season came to an end, the team said farewell to the first four-year senior class in the history of the team and began preparing for the next year. --Allie Sumblin and Kerri Pitts

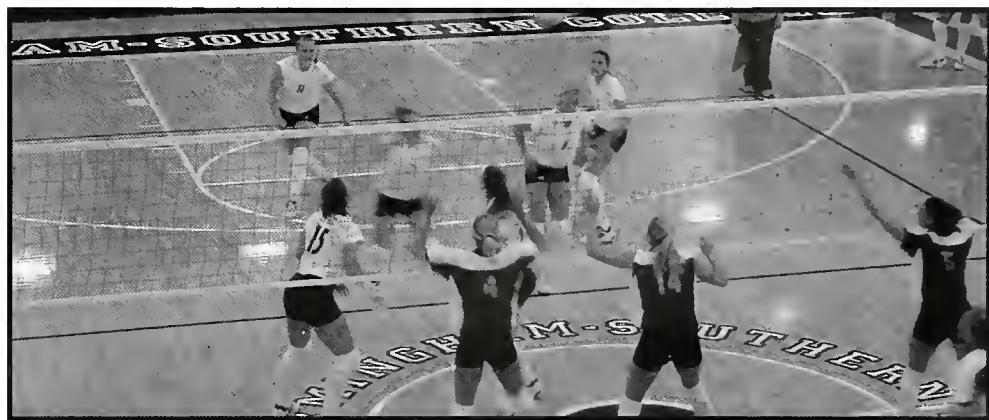


The volleyball team, comprised of Kyndall Waters, Stephanie Harrington, Rachel Malmborg, Kerry Pitts, Miljana Lazarevic, Allie Sumblin, Bailey Mixon, Danielle Graff, and Olia Lazareva, finished 12-16 for the season.

## Scoreboard

### (home games)

Lipscomb .....	3-0
Mercer .....	1-3
Jackson State .....	3-0
UT-Chattanooga .....	1-3
Jacksonville State .....	3-2
Radford .....	0-3
Liberty .....	3-1
Samford .....	3-2
Troy State .....	0-3
High Point .....	3-1
Elon .....	3-0
Winthrop .....	2-3
UNC-Ashville .....	3-2
Coastal Carolina .....	2-3
Charleston Southern .....	3-1



Formations and having a sense of where fellow teammates are is a key aspect and can only be achieved through months of grueling practices. Although few in number, the volleyball team members came together and had a terrific season.

# AT the BUZZER

## Team Adapts to New Division

During the 2001-2002 season the men's basketball team collected a record of 13-14. They had a Big South Conference record of 6-6. The year was another transition year as the Panthers continued to make the adjustment from NAIA to NCAA division I. The year was a large building step for the future and gave young players experience for the future. The team defeated Savan-

nah State 82-47 in front of a packed house for the season finale Homecoming game. The Panthers will return eight players next year including senior Corey Watkins who was forced to sit out last season with a torn ACL. Look for the young and experienced Panthers from this season to blaze through a full conference schedule next season.

-- Barry Moss

Showing perfect defensive form, senior Michael Anspach halts Florida State's attack. Despite its best effort, the team ended up losing to the Seminoles. *Photos provided by the Sports Information Office.*



By getting themselves pumped up before home games, the team was able to come away with 10 wins and only 3 losses playing in Bill Battle Colliseum.



## Scoreboard (home games)

Jacksonville State . . . . .	52-63
Stetson . . . . .	69-82
Texas College . . . . .	71-59
Elon . . . . .	65-58
Sewanee . . . . .	77-43
Alabama State . . . . .	65-61
Liberty . . . . .	83-65
High Point . . . . .	74-57
Florida Atlantic . . . . .	65-59
Charleston Southern . . . . .	62-60
Wintrop . . . . .	56-63
Coastal Carolina . . . . .	88-80
Savannah State . . . . .	82-47



Standing at 6'11", Shema Mbyirukira has no problem getting up and over the defense.



After a terrific pass from Josiah James, T.R. Reed goes up for an easy basket.



Coach Reboul discusses strategy with the team as members prepare for action on the court.



Rashard Willie led the team with twenty-three points against the FSU Seminoles.

After working the ball around, a quick inside pass to Nikki Elliott leaves her wide open for an easy basket.

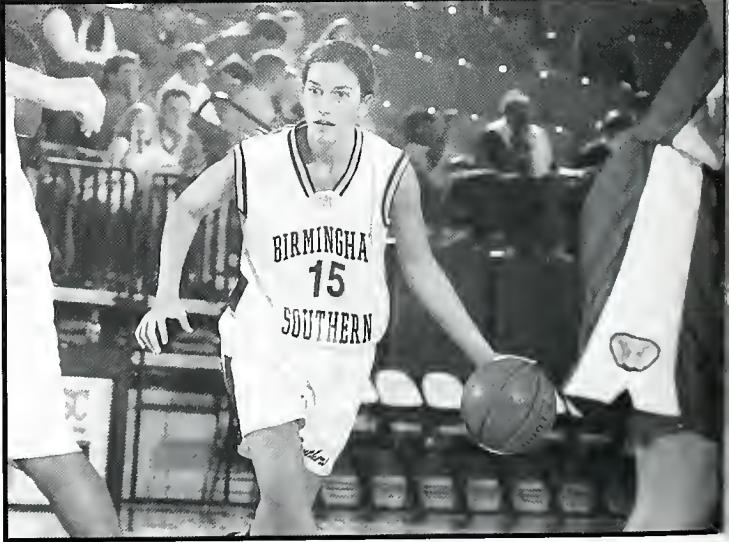


Rising well above the crowd, Candace Byrd scores right before half-time. Candace saw action in 25 of the 27 games.



Jessica Patrick scrambles and fights hard to win the ball from Alabama's star player.

Leading the team in points, Lindsay Boyett averaged 15.6 points per game.



# HOOPS and DREAMS

## Team Finishes with Winning Season



In August of 2000 seventeen girls came together to make up the Lady Panthers for the first time in the school's history. During the 2000-2001 year the team lost five players to go on to finish the year with a 19-9 record. In its second season, the team finished with sixteen wins and eleven loses as it competed in the Big South Conference. At one point in the season the Lady Panthers went on an eight

game winning streak, during which time the team was one of only four in the nation to go undefeated on the road. The other three teams were powerhouses such as UCONN, Stanford, and Tennessee. Team members gained many positive experiences from the season, including finishing the season ranked sixth in the nation in scoring defense. -- Nikki Elliot



As the Lady Panthers run their formation, Amy Woods looks for the open teammate. Although the team lost to Alabama, they still finished th season with a winning record of 16-11. Photos provided by Sports Information.

## Scoreboard (home games)

Milligan College .....	67-34
Centenary College .....	69-35
Loyola .....	68-54
Alabama .....	38-73
Lipscomb .....	64-78
Radford .....	64-66
Jacksonville State .....	73-64
Troy State .....	57-65
Liberty .....	59-74
Elon .....	65-54
High Point .....	69-71
Coastal Carolina .....	52-40
UNC-Ashville .....	68-52
Winthrop .....	72-52
Charleston Southern .....	43-42



Utilizing her strength, Jessica Patrick drives to the basket and makes an easy two points. She was the only player to start every game.



Leading her team, Lindsay Boyette made sixty-four three-point shots for the season.

# SINGLES and DOUBLES

## Team Serves Up a Winning Season

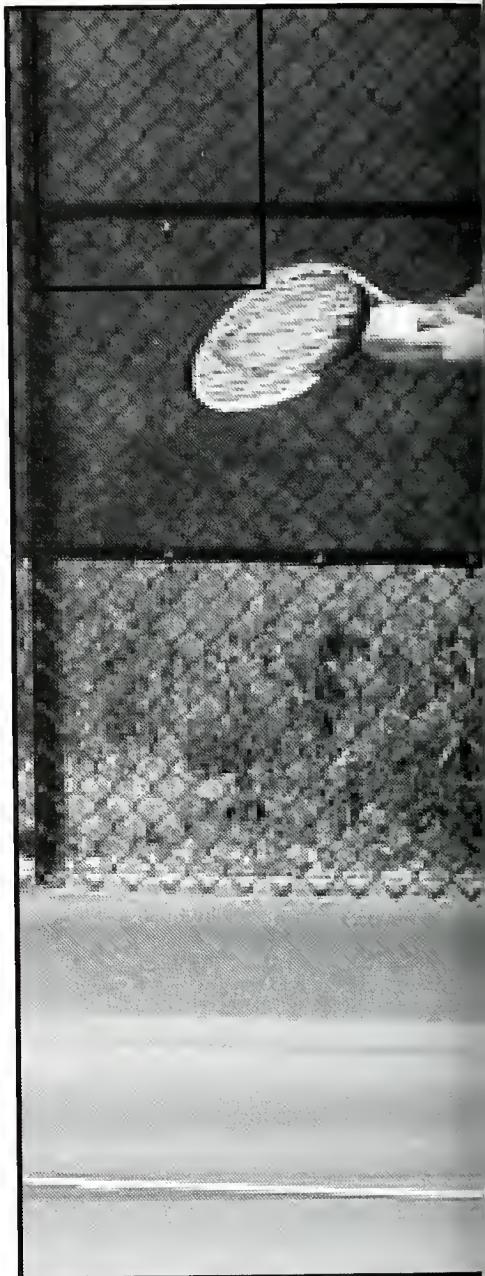
The tennis team finished the season 13-6 under new headcoach Brian Rahaley. The team did not have to adjust too much to the new leadership style that Rahaley brought, because he had worked with the team as the assistant coach for the previous six years. The team's goal was to finish in the top three or higher for the year. Team members knew the goal would require a great deal of

work and determination to accomplish, but if the team did this, the league would know Birmingham-Southern wasn't just around for looks. Junior Nils Hanchen from Hamburg, Germany, led the team in the number one position in singles with a 12-7 record. The team will also look to captain Ben Johnson for leadership and intensity on the court in future seasons.

Sophomore Ben Johnson finished the season 11-3 as the number five singles position and 5-2 while in the number two doubles position. Photos provided by the Sports Information Office.



Paul Thoesen, Richard Turner, Nils Hanchen, John Matthews, Coach Brian Rahaley, Aaron Horsley, Kyle Weidman, Eric Baumgardner, and Ben Johnson take the team to a 13-6 season.



## Scoreboard

Gardner-Webb .....	7-0
Jacksonville State .....	5-2
Troy State .....	5-2
High Point .....	4-3
Elon .....	3-4
Samford .....	4-3
UNC-Asheville .....	5-2
UAB .....	1-6
Tennessee State .....	6-1
Morris Brown .....	7-0
Radford .....	4-3
Liberty .....	4-3
Coastal Carolina .....	2-5
Charleston Southern .....	0-7
Samford .....	6-1
Spring Hill .....	4-3
Belmont .....	1-6
Lipscomb .....	5-1
Tennessee State .....	5-2



Serving is a key aspect of the game and mastering the skill takes much hard work and practice.

While playing second position in doubles, Kyle Weidman won four out of five matches.



Paul Thoesen concentrates hard while practicing on his forehand swing.



Excellent serves help the team beat Samford 4-3 at home and 6-1 away.

In order to be competitive at the Division I level, team members practice hard every day.

Daisey Humphrey helps lead the team to a 7-0 win over Spring Hill College.



Jessica Griffin works on her forehand during one of the team's intensive workouts.

Jennifer Timmis and sister Nicole swept the doubles match against Lipscomb.





# GAME set MATCH

## Team Ends On Six Game Win Streak

The team finished the season with fifteen wins and only four losses, while going six and one against Big South Conference competition. At the beginning of the season, Coach Dielen said, "Our schedule is going to be a challenge, but our women are excited about playing a big-time schedule day-in and day-out. There are no easy matches for us anymore, but we have a great deal of talent and

experience to help us with the transition." She also explained that the team wanted "to go after the Big South and let them know that we [were] well trained, in great shape and ready to do battle." She was right in her prediction. The team finished 6-1 in conference play, losing only to Coastal Carolina. The team was proud of the hard work, winning season, and new tennis facility.



Services are one of the key aspects of the game. In order to become dominating contenders in Division I, team members dedicated to numerous hours to practice to perfect their skills. *Photos provided by Sports Information.*

## Scoreboard

Gardner-Webb .....	6-1
Jacksonville State .....	0-7
Troy State .....	1-6
High Point .....	5-2
Elon .....	6-1
Samford .....	4-3
UNC-Asheville .....	6-1
Tennessee State .....	7-0
Arkansas State .....	1-6
Morris Brown .....	7-0
Radford .....	5-2
Liberty .....	6-1
Coastal Carolina .....	1-6
Charleston Southern .....	5-2
Samford .....	4-3
Spring Hill .....	7-0
Beloit .....	5-2
Lipscomb .....	6-1
Tennessee State .....	6-1



The women's tennis team was composed of Stephanie Ginsburg, Jessica Griffin, Coach Ann Dielen, Charlotte Ann Kelly, Vanessa Vandiver, Nicole Timmis, Jennifer Timmis, Jessica Baldwin, and Daisy Humphrey.

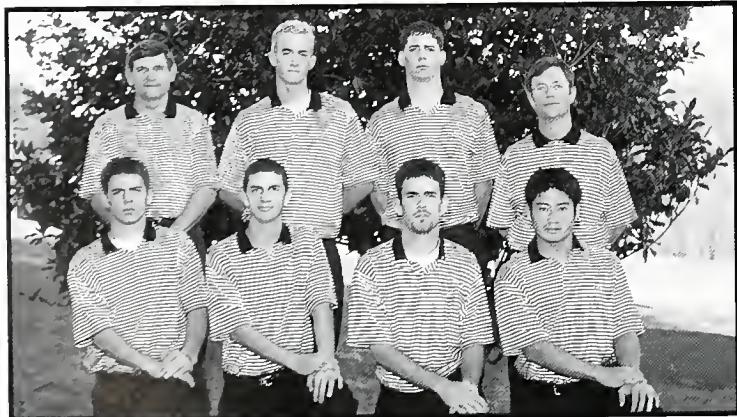
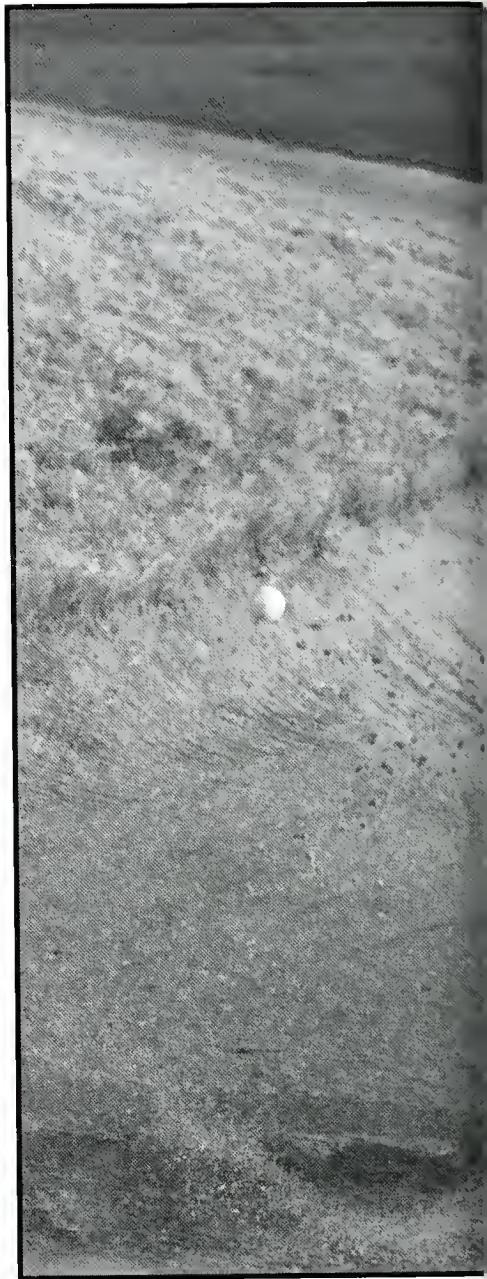
# SHOOTING under PAR

## Teams Make the Right Putt

The golf team faced its inaugural season with fear and excitement. Although the two teams were young, they sought to prove themselves early in the season. The men had the unenviable task of facing some of the finest golf teams in the nation, not only in the various tournaments in which the team competed at in the spring, but also in the Big South Conference which featured two teams

ranked in the top 100. Head Coach Tom Miller also saw his ladies improve from week to week, culminating with winning the Jacksonville Gamecock Classic. The Panthers won their first collegiate tournament in only their fourth competition and did it with a team composed of five true freshmen. "There's one thing for sure," Miller said. "No one in Division I had a team any younger than ours."

The players spend hours working on their short game which consists of chipping and putting. Many people claim that it is the real essence of golf because it is where precision is most important. *Photos provided by the Sports Information Office.*



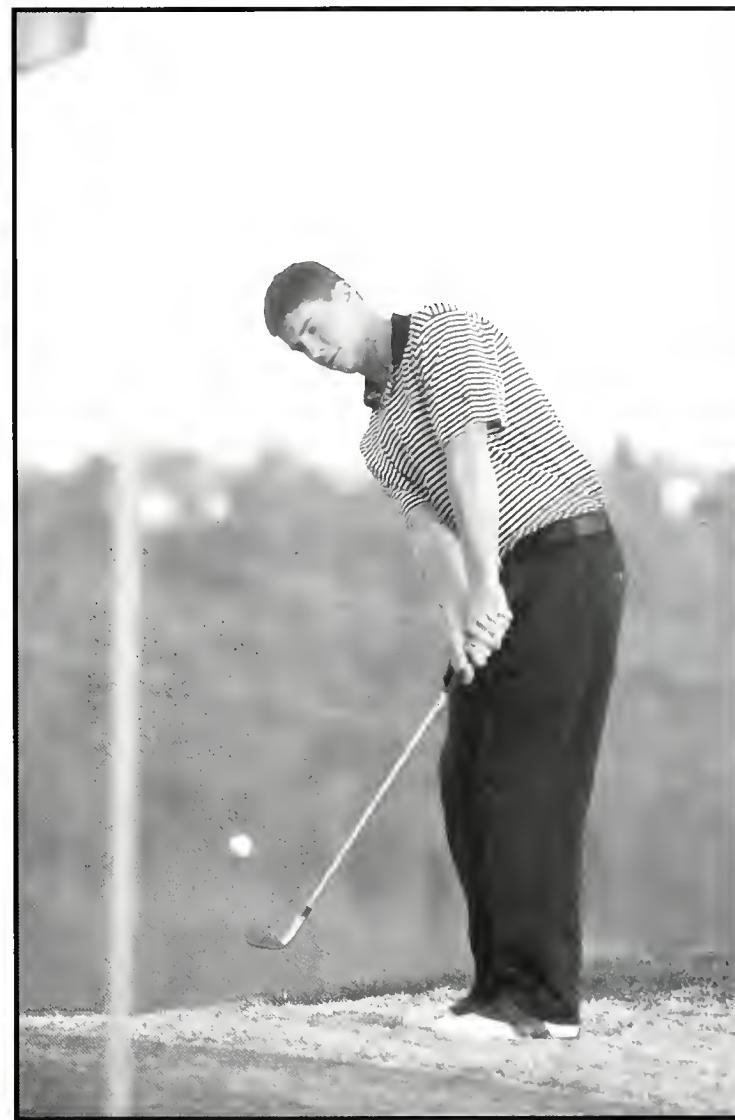
Preparing for their inaugural season are Coach Tom Miller, Brian Geraty, Stephen Fike, Assistant Coach Alex Lockett, John Quinn, Juan Orozco, Michael McDonald, and Yuichiro Kitayama.



Coach Tom Miller, Assistant Coach Michele Drinkard, Laur McCaslin, Karen Lausch, Sarah Hollowell, Haleigh Crump Dorey Bungitak comprise the first ever BSC Women's golf team



Laura McCaslin won three of the tournaments in which the women's team participated.



Stephen Fike uses the bump-and-run technique to roll the ball up to the pin.



Sarah Hollowell ties for eighth at the JSU Classic with a total of 166 for the two rounds.

Keeping the head down on the follow through is a key step to having a good shot.

Countless hours of practice are needed to become a top pitcher like Jon Renfro.



Michael Cline has an easy jog to home plate after hitting a homerun.



Much of the team's 32-20 record was due to its outstanding pitching.

Matt Bogue recorded 47 hits and 2 homeruns throughout the season.

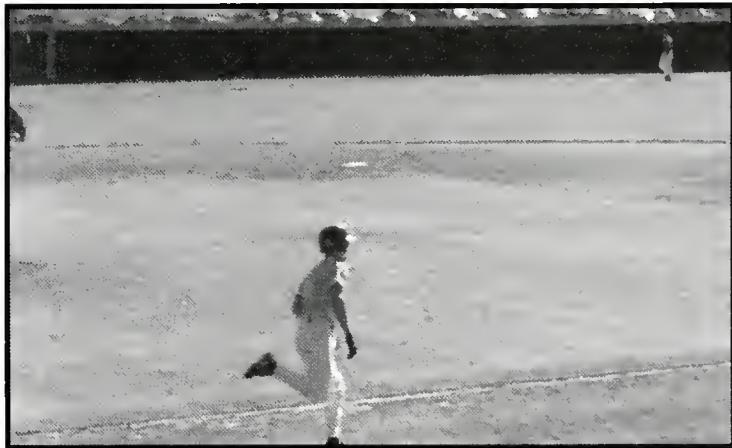


# HITTING the HOMER

## Team Finishes With Winning Season

**D**espite having won the National Championships the previous year, the team did not sit back and become complacent in the off-season. If anything, having that kind of season the previous year inspired the team to continue to work hard and strive for excellence. There were two memorable moments that stood out for the year. The first was playing in Hawaii over Spring Break. The team finished the week-long tournament

with a 4-2 record, finishing no worse than a tie for second in the seven-team affair. The second memory took place at the last home game. Seniors Tim Hicks and Jon Prince put together career-best nights in an 8-5 defeat over cross-town rival UAB. Pat Mizerany also had a career night, driving in three runs on a pair of hits, including a two-out, two-run double that gave the Panthers a 5-1 lead in the sixth. All-in-all, it was another great season.



Sophomore Michael Weydner had 33 hits and 24 runs throughout the season. He was also the only player out of the starting lineup to successfully steal every base he attempted. Photos provided by Sports Information Office.

## Scoreboard (home games)

Mississippi Valley State .....	8-6
Kentucky .....	4-5
Nicholls State .....	10-1
Eastern Kentucky .....	6-5
Siena Heights .....	18-6, 11-1
Lee University .....	13-2, 8-1
Trevecca Nazarene .....	11-6
Centenary .....	4-3, 8-0, 11-6
Jacksonville State .....	5-6
Alabama A&M .....	12-2
Gardner-Webb .....	5-4, 5-4, 3-4
Georgia State .....	4-3
Lipscomb .....	3-0, 5-7, 2-7
UAB .....	8-5



Over the course of the season, the team recorded 493 hits, 343 runs, and 49 homeruns. This was due to great concentration and hand-eye coordination when it came to batting.

# DOWN and DIRTY

## Team Survives Tough First Season

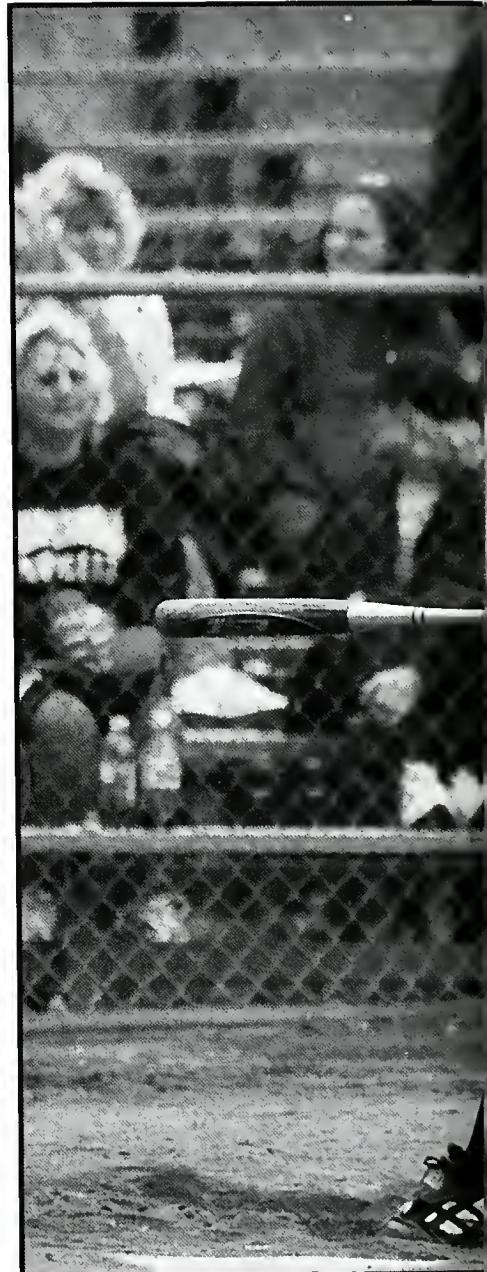
This year was a bit of a struggle for the softball team. We had our ups and downs, but in the end, the ups dominated. We did not win as many games as we would have hoped, but some of the games that we won were crucial. Our team unity is undefeated; we know how to work together, how to push it, how to focus. These attributes are a necessity in the game. When 5:30 am practices roll around, our team knows how to do it. We run with the best of them. With only two juniors, the freshmen on this team

definitely know how to step up. Some might say our inexperience is what helped us the most. Sure, on the field, we didn't make some of the plays that an older team would make, but the courage and tenacity that we showed was unparalleled. As an inaugural team, we all came here on the same page. We all went through the hard times together, and that is what makes us so close. Sure we will pick up some more girls next year, but nobody else will be one of the inaugural 15.  
--Jamie Ewing

Using her strength, freshman Alaina Shelton throws the base-runner out at third. She played a key defensive role during the team's season. *Photos provided by the Sports Information Office.*



Back: M. McDow, N. Rombough, C. Davis, J. Ewing, A. Mason; Middle: K. Fuhrmann, L. Roberts, Coach Tyra Perry, Assistant Coach Aly Sartini, S. Contrell, K. Owens; Front: L. Bradfield, L. Barth, A. Rodgers, D. Treadwell, A. Boohaker; Sitting: A. Shelton



## Scoreboard

### (home)

Alabama A&M . . . . .	10-0, 8-0
Louisiana Tech . . . . .	0-9, 1-7
Coastal Carolina . . . . .	1-5, 1-5
Elon . . . . .	5-6, 5-0
Centenary . . . . .	1-0, 3-1
Jacksonville State . . . . .	2-0, 3-7
Georgia State . . . . .	2-5, 1-3
Beloit . . . . .	3-2, 0-6
Charleston Southern . . . . .	0-6, 0-9
Troy State . . . . .	3-8, 2-3
William Carey . . . . .	0-4, 7-1
Lipscomb . . . . .	1-2, 0-4



The team scored 142 runs over the course of the season, with Dawn Treadwell racking up 28 runs herself.

Andrea Boohaker makes a razzle-dazzle play to get the runner out at first.



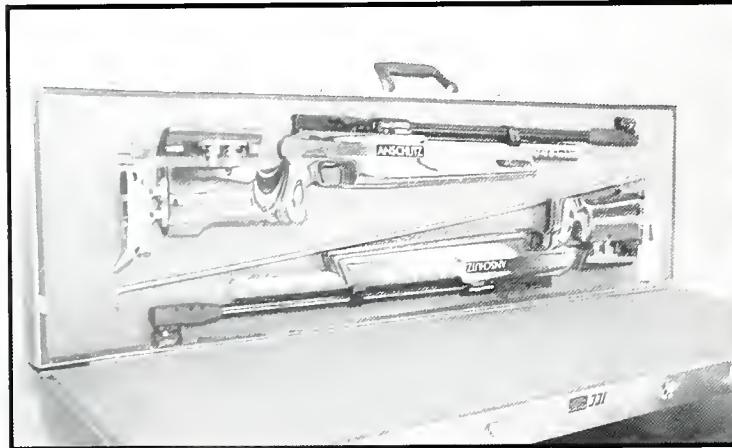
With 37 hits throughout the season, Leslie Roberts brought in 17 runs.



The team celebrates after one of Mickey McDow's four homeruns during the season.

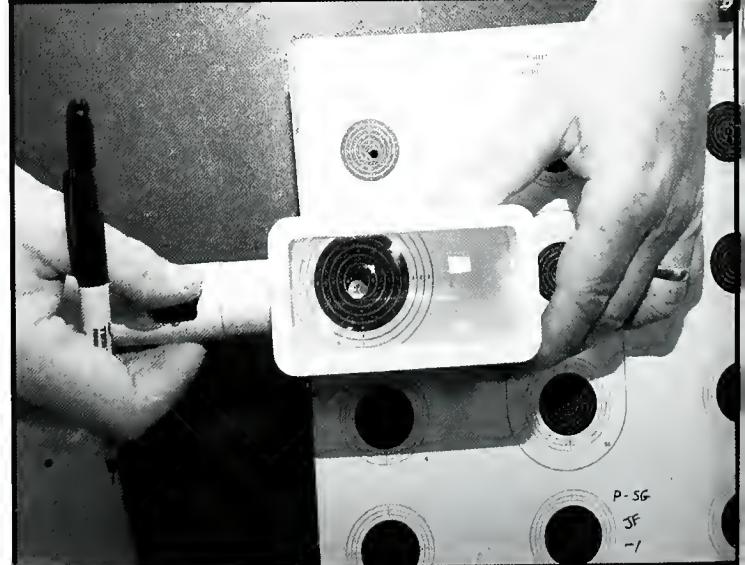
The team was young with three of the girls picking up a gun for the first time in their lives at Fall practice.

In order to be competitive at the Division I level, team members must have good concentration and steady hands.



Both the gun and the shooter must be in sync with each other in order to hit the target.

The targets that the girls must hit are just one inch in diameter.



# RIGHT TARGET

## Team Fires Up for Inaugural Season

The Rifle Team shot into their season with excitement and trepidation. "I really expect us to be competitive, and quick too," stated Coach Randy Youngblood prior to competition. In their inaugural season, the team finished well above expectations, especially since three of the girls had never even fired a rifle before. But under the guidance of Coach Youngblood, they learned quickly,

and by the end of the season, the team was scoring 150 points higher than in their first competition. Coach Youngblood looks for even greater results next year as this young and fairly inexperienced team continues to train and compete. He will also be looking for shooting sensation Sara Hibbard to continue her dominance, while gaining valuable experience at the Junior Olympic Finals in March.



Freshman Sarah Hibbard leads the team in total points. She will compete in the Junior Olympic Finals in Colorado Springs after earning an automatic invitation with her win at the Junior Olympic State Tournament. *Photos provided by Sports Information.*

## Scoreboard

Jacksonville State . . . . .	1306 . . . . .	L
Morehead State. . . . .	1433 . . . . .	L
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Coming together to form the first BSC Rifle Team are Assistant Coach Sam Gladden, Sara Hibbard, Lora Vaughn, Daphne Crawford, Coach Randy Youngblood, Laura Mayhall, Janet Palmer, Kate Pinehardt, and April Speanburg.

# YELLING for VICTORY

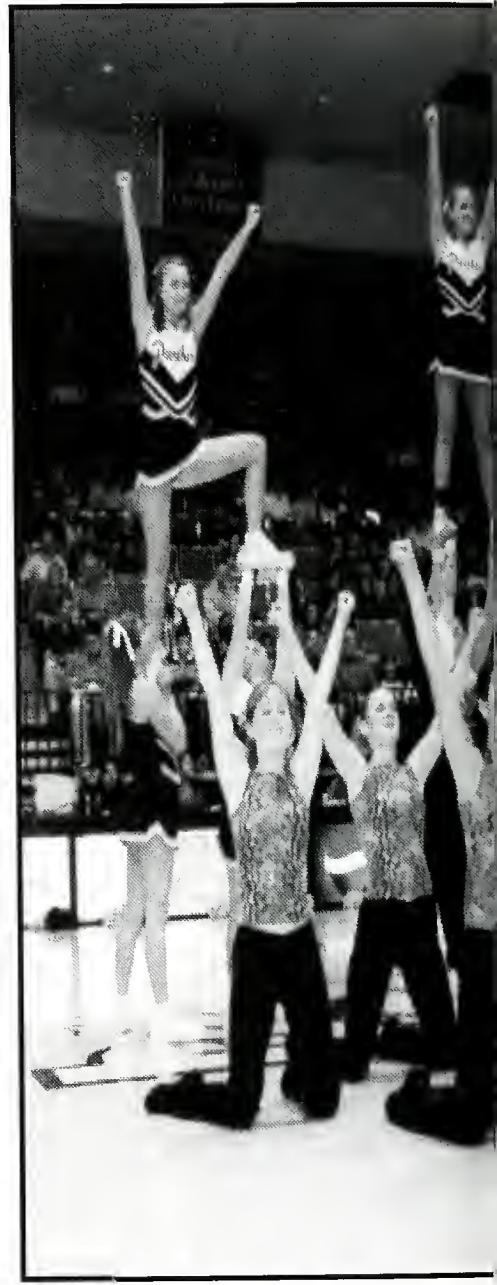
## Teams Motivate the Crowds

The role of the Cheerleaders and Southern Stars was to build spectator morale, promote school spirit, and encourage unity and comradery among all supporters. They completed a very challenging and exciting season, performing at over thirty games including both men and women's home basketball games. Angela Ritchey, captain of the Southern Stars, noted, "The tremendous ef-

fort and enthusiasm, combined with countless hours of hard work and practice, proved to demonstrate the success of our team." The Cheerleaders underwent a makeover this season with a new coach, new faces, and a new uniform. Stunts were as exciting as ever with two guys tossing flyers through the air. Everyone worked really hard to transform the squad into a team worthy of respect from Division I.

-Kristen Wear and Ginny Nicholson

As a way of getting the crowd involved, the Cheerleaders throw T-shirts, towels, and little toy Panthers to the spectators. They also wowed the audiences with their tumbles and acrobatics. Photos provided by the Sports Information Office.



Charlie Williams and Eric Fillebaum added a new dimension to the Cheerleading squad and enabled the girls to perform more difficult acrobatics.



The Southern Stars entertained the audiences during halftime with performances alongside the Black Student Union Step Team.



The Cheerleaders and Southern Stars join together for a spectacular, picture perfect half-time show.

The Cheerleaders show off their strength and flexibility through tumbles on the court and flips in the air.



The talented, young cheering squad includes eleven Freshmen.

Southern Stars also paint children's faces at the annual Halloween on the Hilltop.





# Absolute

During the academic year, the school experienced many changes: the implementation of the Foundations curriculum, the opening of the Stevens Science Center, the move into Division I Athletics, the completion of North dormitory, the first Relay for Life held on campus, and the list continues. Students matured academically while also enjoying the other aspects of college life. The accomplishments of students and faculty alike were recognized on Honors Day and Awards Day; however, these days were merely the culmination to a process that took a year in the making. As the year came to a close, seniors bid farewell, some faculty retired, and yet others looked forward to the next year. Regardless, goodbyes were shared as everyone went separate ways with the summer.

Several dance students showcase their talent at the annual dance recital. The dances were coreographed by seniors, culminating four years of studies in dance on campus.

# Goodbyes

*Honors Day celebrates scholastic achievement allowing students to share knowledge with their peers and community.*

Honors Day began with Divisional Awards followed by a Convocation. At the Convocation, Ms. Nancy Evans of iVillage.com delivered a speech that received a standing ovation from students and others in attendance. Following the speech, several campus wide honors were presented. Following a brunch in the Great Hall, paper presentations became the highlight of the afternoon. Students shared their research and creativity with peers, with topics ranging from "Pope Pius II and the Struggle for Peace Prior to WWII"

# Honors Day

to "Fruit Wars: Behind the Computer Screen" to an art presentation entitled "A Photographic Journey through the American West." Fifty-four presentations were delivered by over 130 students sharing their ideas with the campus. All academic divisions were well represented and the afternoon was well attended by faculty, students, family, and friends. Initiations into honoraries such as Alpha Lambda Delta and Phi Eta Sigma were held that evening, concluding a day of celebration of academic achievement.



Mike Ross presents a paper entitled "Chu Hsi and the Creation of Boundries within Song Neo-Confucianists." Sponsored by Dr. Levey, his paper was an insightful glimpse into the Chinese philosophical heritage.

Marta McLellan, complete with ceremonial kimono, prepares tea for her presentation "Chanoyu: Capturing Culture in a Bowl of Tea." Her paper explained the nuances of Japanese culture through tea and tea ceremonies.





## Recognizing Academic Achievement: Some of the Honors Received

The President's Award

*Deepak A. Palakshappa*

*Marta Lyn McLellan*

Robert Hewlin Jackson Meritorious

Scholarship Award

*Molly Michelle Gibson*

Dyson Wagnon Masters Academic

Honor Award

*James Mallory Dixon*



Students stop to read Andrew Barker's poster presentation "Two Forms of Cholinesterases are Common in Jawed Vertebrate."

Brent Rose, an inductee into Alpha Lambda Delta, a freshman honor society, proudly displays his certificate while standing with his mother.

Everyone appreciates the refreshments provided in the Harbert Plaza throughout the afternoon. The tangy lemonade and delicious cookies complimented the afternoon well and provided a perfect way to enjoy the sunny weather.

Graduating seniors enjoy a weekend of graduation activities before leaving the Hilltop

# Seniors Center Stage

Exams were finished and moving vans were prominent on campus as graduation weekend arrived. Not all of the seniors knew what they were doing after graduation and some were sad to leave their friends, but all were excited to have reached this point in their lives. The Capping Ceremony was held on Friday, May 24, in Norton where Fred Ashe entertained all with his presentation. The Baccalaureate service was held the next morning at the First United Methodist Church downtown. Then, at 3:30 that afternoon, Commencement was held at Boutwell Auditorium. Former U.S. Senator from Maine, George Mitchell, was the guest speaker. Over 4,000 guests were in attendance for the awarding of diplomas. Several seniors were also recognized at the ceremony. Following the ceremony, graduates and their friends and family enjoyed a reception at the Birmingham Museum of Art.



After receiving his diploma, Anthony Cashio stops briefly for a picture. Cameras were everywhere as students and their guests documented the special day.

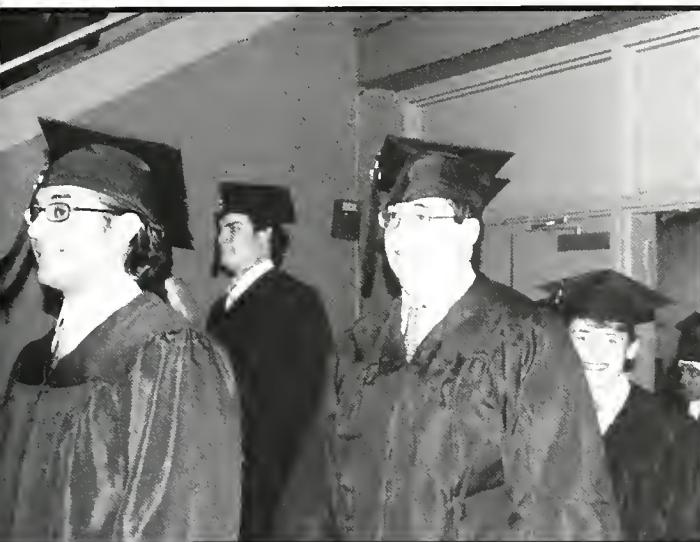
Denise Robbins and Carolyn Roberts line up for the procession into the auditorium.





Toward the end of the ceremony, seniors rise and applaud all those who helped them reach this point. Seniors realized all the help that they had received along the way and thanked those who supported them.

Grand Marshal Tara Sudderth leads the procession into the auditorium.



Seniors march to their seats while *Pomp and Circumstance*, Op. 59, No. 1 plays and family members snap photos.

Following along in the program, seniors listen as Dr. Berte introduces the guest speaker for the ceremony.

Prior to the ceremony, Dr. Berte and Dr. Penfield meet with the guest speaker, former U.S. Senator George Mitchell. Mitchell served as Senate Majority Leader several years while in Congress.



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